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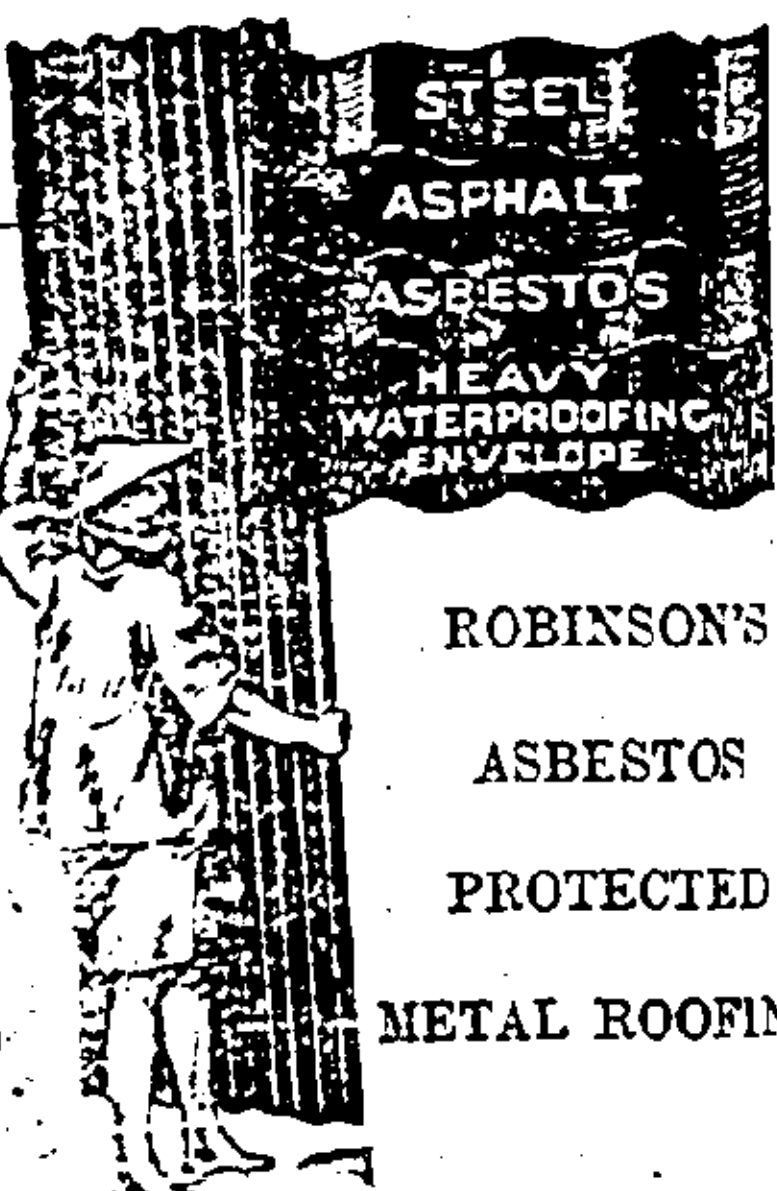
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## SHANGHAI TROUBLES.

### HOW GREATER BLOODSHED WAS AVERTED.

#### FOMENTERS OF UNREST?

#### The British Co-operating With the Powers.

Had the mob in Shanghai seized the arms in the Police Station on May 30 there would have been greater bloodshed, declared Mr. A. M. Samuel in the House of Commons, when he pointed to the co-operation of the Powers and the surest remedy for the disturbances.

#### LABOUR CONDITIONS.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 15.  
The position in China was the subject of a number of questions by Labour members and others in the House of Commons.

Replying to a suggestion by Mr. Will Thorn (Labour) that the trouble in Shanghai was due to low wages and the employment of children, Mr. A. M. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, for the Foreign Office emphasised that the British Government had done all it could to improve conditions of labour within the International Settlement and had no control outside. The mob at Shanghai was very large and murderous. Had they succeeded and seized the arms at the police station there undoubtedly would have been greater bloodshed. The British policy in respect of the trouble in China had been adopted in concert with the other Powers interested and no points of difference had arisen. Mr. Samuel paid a tribute to the firm and tactful manner in which the Italian Minister, Signor Cerrulli, the senior diplomat in Peking, was handling the situation. He (Mr. Samuel) emphasised that the Government respected China, and would gradually lend all support with a view to securing China's prosperity and peace. The casualties in Shanghai were 21 Chinese killed, 65 Chinese wounded, and one American wounded.

The Hankow Affair.  
The British Consul at Hankow reported that the firing there was inevitable. Had the Chinese authorities co-operated with the defence force, a deplorable loss of life would have been avoided.

The disturbances in Hankow and Shanghai were a symptom of the deep and widespread unrest exploited by interested parties to stir up feeling against those Powers with the largest interests in China who, therefore, were deeply concerned to co-operate with China in the task of progress and reform. The surest remedy for the anti-foreign feeling in China would lie in an attempt by the Treaty Powers to carry out the decisions of the Washington Conference in regard to co-operation between China and the Powers in measures beneficial to China. The Government was considering the best means of overcoming the difficulties arising largely from the absence of an effective Government in China. It trusted that the forthcoming conference on the internal tariff of China would afford an opportunity of removing such obstacles, dissipating the present atmosphere of distrust and inaugurating an era of fruitful co-operation between China and the Powers.

An Important Point.  
Mr. Samuel emphasised that no Chinese were killed by British forces. The casualties were inflicted by the Police of the International Municipality of Shanghai.

Asked whether he would order that future demonstrators would not be fired on with ball cartridge, Mr. Samuel replied that the Government was not in a position to give instructions to an International Municipality. He added that the industrial conditions in the International Settlement in Shanghai were better than in the Chinese area over which he had no control.

Optimistic View.  
Replying to Mr. Ramsay MacDonald Mr. Stanley Baldwin, Prime Minister, gave the assurance that the Government was co-operating with the other Powers in taking every step possible to prevent the disturbances becoming a really big international trouble in the Far East. There was every reason to believe that the Powers and the Chinese

desire to attain peace, and enable an attempt to come to an arrangement on the tariff which would keep and consolidate the Central Government of China.

#### THE HANKOW RIOT.

(Courtesy of the Daily Bulletin.)

Peking, June 15.

The British Note in reply to the Chinese Note as regards the riot at Hankow was handed in to the Under-Secretary of the Waichiao

## \$45,000 IN DRUGS.

Bedstead Hiding  
Place.

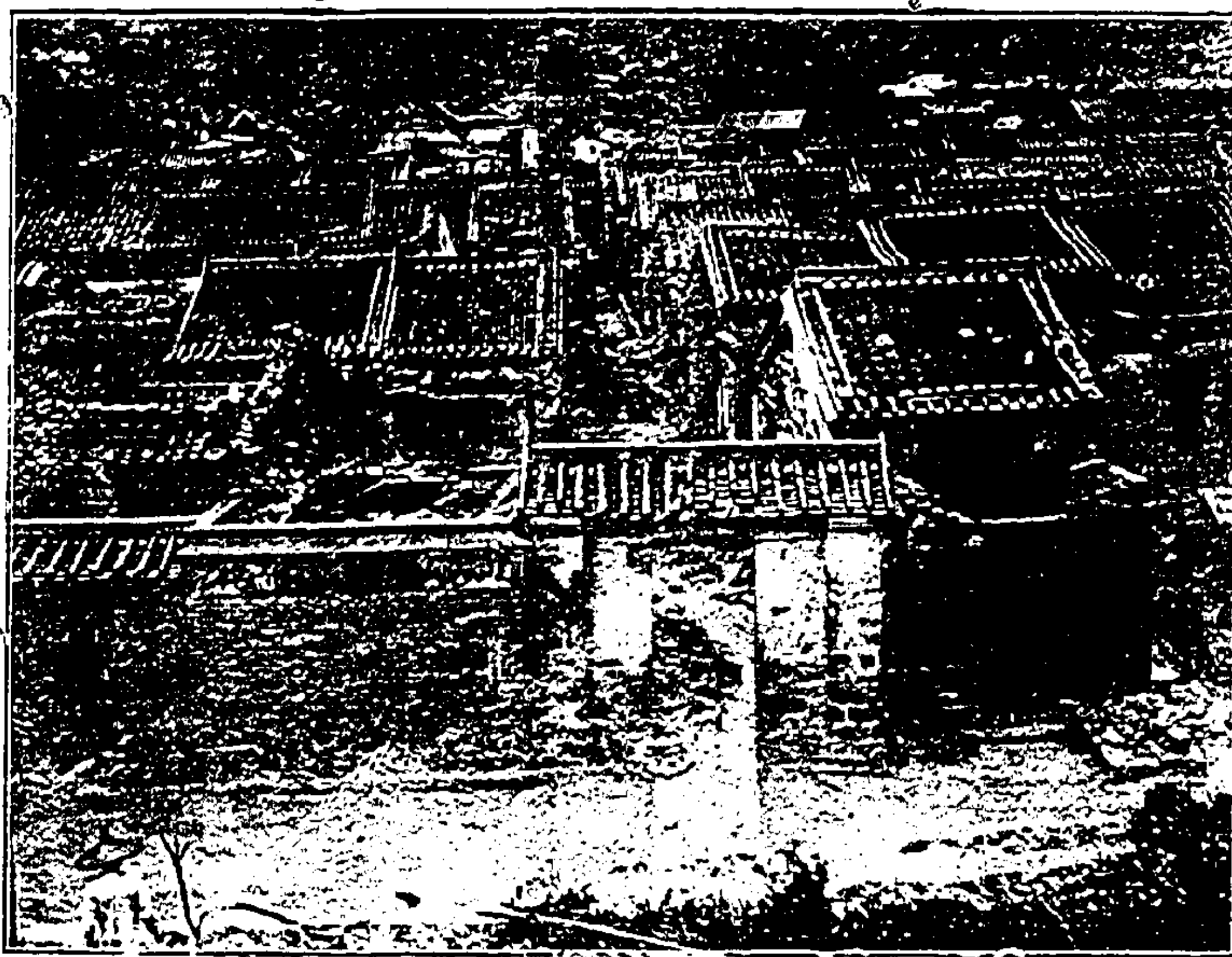
SEQUEL IN COURT.

\$10,000 BAIL FOR ARRESTED  
MERCHANT.

Before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, at the Central Magistracy this morning, Matthew Tonkin, 37, native of England, and Moses Samsonovitch, 52, native of Brazil, both merchants, were formally charged with the unlawful importation of drugs into the Colony.

The prosecution was a sequel to the discovery of a large quantity of heroin, packed in tin tubes and concealed in the leg posts of a consignment of sixteen cases bedsteads consigned from Antwerp to Shanghai by the s.s. Glentworth. The seizure was made by revenue

## LAST NIGHT'S HEAVY RAIN.



Part of Wongneichong village showing where roofs have given way and walls collapsed through the floods.

pu last evening.

As Shen Jui-lin could not be found, it was stated that he was in hiding from the students.

The Note says:—

"From your Note it is clear that your Excellency is not in possession of the true facts, which are as follows:—At seven o'clock in the evening of June 11, a mob broke into the British Concession at Hankow armed with stones, with which they attacked the police and members of the Municipal Council. Sailors from His Majesty's gunboat Bee were landed, upon which the mob were dispersed without firing. As the situation became critical, the Volunteers were called out. The mob then attacked the Volunteers and the naval posts with poles and stones, inflicting some slight casualties. The Volunteers showed great restraint and refrained from firing, even when the mob charged almost up to within the bayonets. At nine o'clock, the Consul-General appealed to the Foreign Affairs Commissioner for protection. After some delay, the latter arranged for the despatch of troops, but in the meantime the mob attacked and looted a Japanese shop, and next beat the inmates, one of whom died from his injuries. The mob, which was highly excited, shouting 'Kill the foreigners!' attacked the British post guarded by barbed wire. A fire-engine held back the mob for twenty minutes, but in spite of this the mob forced their way through the barbed wire and, armed with long poles, began to climb it, showering bricks upon the defenders, several of whom were badly hurt. Then only firing took place, killing three or four and wounding the same number. The mob retreated, and the wounded were taken to the British Hospital. All the foreign naval forces co-operated in the defence of the British, French and former Russian Concessions. Your Excellency will see from the above account that the impression that the

officers who found on a minute examination of the bedsteads that the legs were made to screw off.

Mr. H. A. Taylor, Assistant Superintendent of the Imports and Exports Office, informed His Worship that the actual amount of the seizure had not yet been ascertained, but it was about 150 lbs. of heroin. He asked for a few days' adjournment as he considered that it might be necessary to send a cable to the Colonial Office regarding the matter and probably await evidence from there. Mr. Taylor said that the evidence against the first accused was quite clear, but so far there was very little evidence against the second accused.

Mr. C. H. Lyson appeared for the defence.

The case was adjourned until noon on Friday, bail being fixed at \$10,000 and \$500 respectively. The value of the seizure amounts to about \$45,000.

Mr. T. Ramsay, assistant managing director of Messrs. W. S. Bailey and Co., Ltd., has authorised the 'China Mail' to state that there is no foundation in a report published this morning that the shipyard employees, about 700 in number, may go on strike to-day. Messrs. Bailey and Co. add that the rumours are entirely without foundation.

A Chinese coolie working at the Government quarries at North Point was killed yesterday when a motor lorry loaded with stone ran over him.

that the arrival of new machinery meant that hand packing was to be dispensed with altogether, have agreed to recommence work, all misapprehensions apparently having been cleared up.

The management confidently hopes for a resumption of work to-morrow morning.

The friendly attitude of these workers and their stated willingness to resume is important in view of recent events and the resultant possibility of a general strike.

## WANTON MURDER.

### SHANGHAI BRITON KILLED.

#### WOMAN WOUNDED.

#### Terrible End to a Motor Car Drive.

Shanghai has been shocked by the brutal and wanton murder of a British resident whose fate was narrowly escaped by a lady who was with him at the time.

#### FATAL SHOTS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Shanghai, June 16.

The Briton Mr. William Mackenzie was murdered last night while driving his car outside the Settlement boundaries with a lady, Miss Duncan, who was wounded. Seven Chinese stopped the car and turned flashlights on the occupants.

They fired at Mr. Mackenzie who had restarted the car. He was hit in the neck and fell forward.

Miss Duncan, though wounded, took the steering wheel and guided the car more than a thousand yards, when it ran into a ditch near the Columbia Country Club, to which she ran.

#### FIRST HAND VIEWS.

In the course of a letter dated Shanghai, June 10, Mrs. Herbert Sator writes to her father, Mr. D. McNeill, in Hongkong: "You are not getting many letters these days, but things have been so worrying and unsettled that we have not had time or heart to write. The Police did all they could do to quieten the mob, but it was useless. They drove the Police from Sincere's to Louza Station, and then in the end the odds were so great that the Police had to fire. Five six men against a mad mob of 3,000.

"We could not get fresh meat for some days, but did quite well. The French told the shopkeepers that if they closed up they would lose their licences. They called off the bovver from the French Concession very quickly. Many—in fact, nearly all—have been left to fend for ourselves, but we do not mind that.

"The Shanghai Soots have their headquarters in the Golf Club on the Racecourse, and the Americans have theirs in the New World. During the worst part of the trouble the Chinese were kept off the Nanking Road. It was just like a military town. But for a week we were at their mercy, the Chinese sniffling, throwing bricks, and so on, whilst our poor boys were almost drowning with fatigue, after standing 36 hours!

"Whilst it is certain that the Municipal Council will not stand any nonsense, it is felt that only international intervention can settle this trouble effectually."

#### CITY NOW QUIET.

CANTON SETTLING  
DOWN

A STRIKE UNLIKELY.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

CANTON, June 15

Fighting was audible yesterday afternoon to the North of Canton where, presumably the Cantonese are following up the remnants of the fleeing mercenary armies.

Most of the Yunnanese who remained behind were either disarmed, killed, or taken into custody by the victors to save them from the wrath of street mobs. Canton is now quiet and the Kuomintang is in process of restoring the old order of things.

Some Yunnanese detachments have been incorporated in pro-Kuomintang contingents.

Rumours of a general strike are current in Canton. However, the stoppages engineered by the Cantonese to hinder the mercenaries cannot very well be described as being in sympathy with trouble at other ports.

#### A Go-e-l's Moustaches.

A story, not without its humorous aspect, is related by the vernacular papers regarding the flight of General Yang Hsi-man (Yunnanese commander-in-chief) from Canton. He proceeded to Shamoen by motor car on Friday when the debacle began. Accompanied by one of the British Vice-Consuls, so the story goes, he embarked on one of the night boats for Hongkong, still wearing his moustache, "after the style of the Chinese character for eight." A previous allusion to the general's having discarded his moustache to disguise himself had caused much amusement.

On arrival in Hongkong he was escorted by the Police to the King Edward Hotel where a guard of detectives was mounted.

According to the report, Yang was recognised on the river steamer and had to part with \$3,400 in notes—all that he had with him—so that he would not be molested and so assure his passage.

In Hongkong he is said to have given the detectives the slip by sailing on the s.s. President Jackson for Shanghai without the Police knowing. The report also

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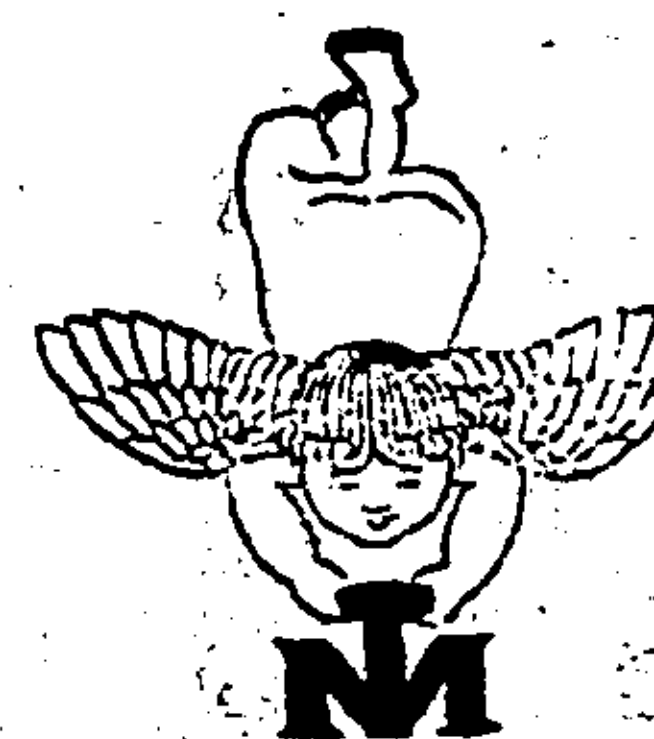
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"LAHORE"	6,232	21st July	Singapore, Penang, Ceylon & Bombay
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"KASHMIR"	9,114	3rd Oct.	Marselles and London
"MAHWA"	6,096	15th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Ceylon & Bombay
"SICILIA"	11,941	17th Oct.	Marselles and London
"ST. ALBANS"	6,812	29th Oct.	Singapore, Penang, Ceylon & Bombay
"KHYBER"	9,114	31st Oct.	Marselles and London
"MAHWA"	10,903	14th Nov.	Marselles and London
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"TILAWA"	10,000	10th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
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"TAKIWA"	7,936	23rd July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TATREA"	7,936	29th July	Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.

**ASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)**

"ARAFURA"	4,000	8th July	Manila, Sandakan, Thursday Is., Tandj, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney and Melbourne.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th Aug.	do.
"TANDA"	6,000	2nd Sept.	do.
"ARAFURA"	4,000	7th Oct.	do.
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"TAKIWA"	7,936	6th July	Kobe
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	7th July	Shanghai, Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"KASHGAR"	6,806	10th July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"BOUDAN"	6,096	16th July	Shanghai and Kobe
"TAIREA"	7,936	21st July	Singapore, Moji and Kobe
"MAEDONIA"	11,009	21st July	Shanghai and Kobe
"SICILIA"	9,114	21st July	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	27th Aug.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama
"TANDA"	6,096	8th Aug.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"DELTA"	8,097	21st Aug.	Shanghai
"NARKUNDA"	13,227	21st Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KARMALA"	9,128	4th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MALWA"	10,941	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"BOUDAN"	6,096	18th Sept.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"KHYBER"	9,114	2nd Oct.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"SICILIA"	6,812	2nd Oct.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	10th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"MANTUA"	10,912	17th Oct.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"TAKIWA"	8,144	1st Nov.	Shanghai and Kobe
"TANDA"	6,096	7th Nov.	Moji, Kobe and Yokohama
"MOREA"	13,911	14th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	11,089	28th Nov.	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe
"ARAFURA"	6,000	12th Dec.	Moji, Kobe & Yokohama

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From this date and during the absence of the undersigned from the Colony, Mr. W. E. Smith is appointed Acting General Manager of the Society.  
By Order of the Board,  
**PAUL LAUDER,**  
General Manager.  
Hongkong 15th June, 1925.

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## SHANGHAI TROUBLES.

(Continued From Page 1.)

us. The foreigners were de-  
fending their lives against a  
murderous mob. I cannot ad-  
mit that the responsibility rests  
upon the British authorities,  
who were unable to obtain  
prompt and adequate protec-  
tion from the Chinese authori-  
ties, and were obliged to act  
or themselves. I cannot re-  
tain from reminding your  
excellency that I have re-  
peatedly warned the Chinese  
Government of the grave re-  
sponsibility they are incurring  
by allowing the present anti-  
British agitation to proceed  
unchecked. The deplorable  
events at Hankow are evidence  
of the justice of my warnings.  
I have instructed the Consular  
officers throughout China to do  
everything to prevent a recur-  
rence of such incidents, but I  
must earnestly beg your Excel-  
lency to take energetic mea-  
sures to discourage any agita-  
tion which leads to such  
disastrous results. I had the  
honour to show you at our  
interview last evening pamph-  
lets and newspapers giving the  
most mendacious accounts of  
the happenings at Hankow,  
making it appear that my com-  
patriots had fired upon a harm-  
less student demonstration. I  
myself observed this morning  
in the streets of Peking a poster  
conveying the same absolutely  
false impression. I regard the  
dissemination of these calum-  
nies as dangerous in the  
extreme, for the people's dis-  
position is uncertain, and one  
explosion may well be followed  
by others with deplorable re-  
sults. I, therefore, trust that  
your Excellency will take early  
opportunity for issuing a state-  
ment which will place the  
Chinese public in possession of  
the real facts, and thus dispel  
an atmosphere of prejudice and  
misunderstanding created by  
these false rumours.  
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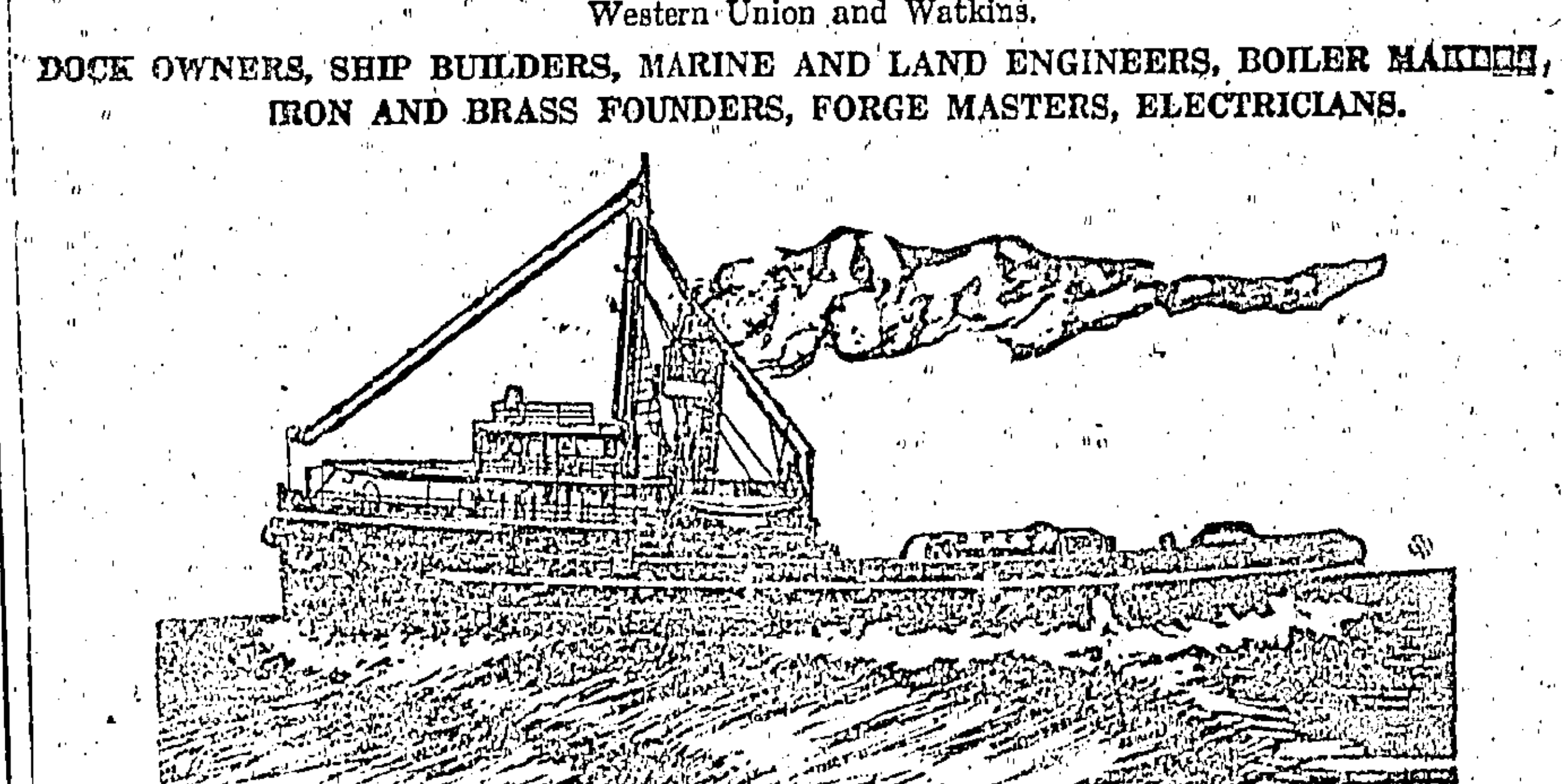
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Egbert M. Hayes, a daughter,  
Janet Elizabeth.

**MARKS**—On June 11, 1925, at  
the Victoria Nursing Home,  
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. S.  
Marks, a daughter.

**RALSTON**—On June 16, to Mr.  
and Mrs. J. Ralston, Hong-  
kong, a daughter.

Hongkong, Tuesday, June 16, 1925.

#### THE OBVIOUS REMEDY.

In the House of Commons the Labour Party are to be thanked in no unstinted measure for their inquisitive spirit, regarding the Shanghai troubles, for, far from putting the British Government in a quandary, they are eliciting replies of a nature calculated to place the British position in its true light. It is not likely, of course, that translations of these statements by the leaders of the British Government, if circulated amongst the Chinese students, would accomplish very much by way of counter-propaganda just at present. But they must serve the most useful purpose of revealing to the industrial workers at Home, to the Chinese heads, and to foreigners outside China generally, the bona fides of Great Britain. From this point of view such official statements are doubly welcome, even though they are made in the nature of replies to questions in the House of Commons.

Take the point made by Mr. A. M. Samuel, Parliamentary Secretary to the Department of Overseas Trade, that no Chinese

were killed by the British forces on May 30, the casualties being inflicted by the Police of the International Settlement, and that the British Government is not in a position to give instructions to the International Municipality to refrain from the use of ball cartridges against future demonstrators. That demolishes in a word the arguments of the fanatics that the British are solely responsible for the order to fire when the riots were at their height. They can only share that responsibility. But they do not shrink it. Nor do they oppose—but rather court—the fullest possible impartial inquiry into the incidents of May 30. It is all to the good, in a sense, that most of the present agitation in Shanghai is directed against the British and that an attempt is being to isolate the British, for more than anything else it exposes the utter shallowness and sham of the case against the British. Likewise, it serves to heighten the grave suspicion that the origin of the present trouble can be traced back as far as the refusal of the British Government, on taking office, to have any truck with the Soviet on the lines proposed by its immediate Labour predecessor. An outbreak of the kind that occurred in Shanghai on May 30, attended by the broadcasting of Communistic and anti-foreign literature, is not planned in a day, nor in a month for that matter.

It was only to be expected that the obvious remedy for the present troubles and a preventative for any recurrence would be pointed out in the House of Commons. That remedy lies in the attempt by the Treaty Powers to carry out the decisions of the Washington Conference in regard to co-operation in China. The assurance was also reiterated that the British Government is considering the best means of overcoming the difficulties arising largely from the absence of effective Government in China. It may be that the forthcoming conference on the internal tariff in China will afford an opportunity for removing such obstacles, dissipating the present atmosphere of mistrust, and inaugurating an era of fruitful co-operation between China and the Powers.

Thus, it will be conceded, the real solution lies not with the Powers but with China herself. Let her—as has been pointed out so often of late—put her own house in order. The co-operation of the Powers is there for the seeking!

#### Crime Prevention.

Figures may be made to prove anything. Those issued in connection with the police for the year 1924 prove Kipling right and that east of Suez "there ain't no ten commandments." This is tantamount to saying that the Chinese—certainly the Chinese criminal—does not recognise the moral and social appeal in the commands beginning "Thou shalt not." What suasion, other than the force of the law with its drastic but not necessarily deterrent punishments, is brought to bear on those who have caused themselves to be punished? If the question is answered according to report, it is in the negative: Is there any Society in Hongkong devoted to the welfare of prisoners? We believe there is none. The foreigner is not interested to any great extent. It is known that a lady missionary visits the women in prison. The men, presumably are left alone. There may be reasons for this. One we may call language. If there are any others one of them is the great cause of all our social troubles—indifference. And to this may be added that the psychology of the Chinese character is somewhat baffling. But what of Chinese who are not indifferent to the weaknesses of their less fortunate nationals? What of the Confucian precepts worth handing out to those who have strayed from the path of rectitude? A prisoner serves his sentence and is let free. He is swallowed up in the crowds that are as ants upon sugar. No one has a good word for him or a helping hand. If he has learnt anything it is perhaps the need for more care when he next plans a theft, or does something that makes him a law breaker. Most large towns at Home have a Society that lays itself out to help the prisoner set free. Near the goal there is a warm room, with a warm cup of tea. Better still there is a warm hand-clasp and a warm word of help. And—who knows—it is this sort of thing that makes for reclamation more than does a period in prison. There is opportunity in Hongkong for foreigners and Chinese alike to commence a similar mission. It is long overdue.

#### The Chinese Parent.

It would be interesting to have the views of the parents of the three or four hundred boys on the action of their offspring in deliberately absconding themselves from the Saiyungpun School on a matter of dispute over routine regulation. It is charitable to infer that either they do not understand their parental duties; are bewildered by the actions of their children, or evince no interest whatsoever in what they do. For years now it has been the desire of the young student to act as a tail wagging the dog. And often, it has to be admitted, the wagging has succeeded. The person whom one might expect to take an active interest in such matters—the male parent—is something like Brer Rabbit. He lies low and says nuffin'. Presumably if a boy is filial at home—or seems so—nothing else matters. And yet K'ung Fu-Tzu (Confucius) enjoined that in addition to such piety, a youth should be respectful abroad; earnest and truthful. He should overflow in love to all, but cultivate the friendship of the good. "Then, whatsoever of energy may be left to him, he should devote to the improvement of his mind." It may be that just as many Christians do not read their Bible, so many Chinese do not read the Master's words. This may account for the apparent "decline and fall of the Chinese parent." Which is greatly to be pitied.

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On the First Woman M.P. Here lies an M.P. the first woman who sat, But not the first Member who spoke through a hat. To the Man in the Street it appeared strange and queer That the wife of a rich and respectable peer Should descend to be one of a Commons' House And mix with Tom Clodd and Sir Jonathan Louse, Her method of speaking to Members was new.

For she never omitted the things that were true. The word Prohibition she often would use, By typical Members called "stopping the Boozie," When the eloquence waxed on the

ills of the Poor, As Tory-cum-Socialist no ape was sure, If Ramsay's own business was half as well done With Haldane and Hemmerde rolled into one, In her way she was great: she fought Men alone, Whenever you forget it, come back to this stone.

"I shall see PLASHES FROM THE FOOTLIGHTS. "Yes—I shall be on the Jury."

"I don't know anything about other people's husbands." "Or your own."

"Is that dull husband of hers going to be here to-night?" "Not if he has the faintest idea of if being a good host."

"It's a good thing for you men that women like clothes more than they like work—otherwise, the men would lose their jobs." —From "Spring Cleaning."

"So you've FLASHES FROM THE FOOTLIGHTS. back from Amorica. What State were you in?" "Aren't you a little personal?"

"Is this book funny?" "I laughed so much that I had to dry the leaves in the oven."

"Is she a plain cook?" "Horribly."

"To get anything out of me is like trying to open an oyster with a 'bus ticket.'"

"We married in haste, and repented with pleasure." —From "Boodle."

"If two horrid people marry, it prevents them from spilling two houses."

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"What he doesn't know would go on a sixpence, and then you'd be able to see whether it was heads or tails." —From "Anyhouse."

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"Hello smaizie?" "Yeah, whoosis?"

"Trine givagess." "Tsermon."

"Whosermom?" "Snowonueno."

"Atzallri buwatt dye wanna nose whosermom?" "Aw heezagay downata awfiss. Now yappy?"

"Watizee gotta callup?" "Smutch riza nexperson ainhe?"

"Noee ainhe! Gethistraykid. Imya guyssee anyutha fellas gotta anserta mefercallinyup."

"Say whoya thinkyar anyway cavemanor sumpin? Busize whonell areya?"

"Goshbud dye haijakidded thaim Kid. Isermon."

"Yeah? Well mebbeya think-sobud dye donono gize namedemon, sring off antryagenn. Yamay havsum bettaluknextime. Slong yapoorfish."

## KING CHARLES'S HEAD.

Among the various decorations with which Horace Walpole adorned Strawberry Hill was a copy of the death warrant of Charles I., inscribed "Major Charta," remarks a London paper. When that greatest of Victorian schoolboys, Tom Brown, went up to Oxford he exhibited the same cheery document on the walls of his rooms. At the time when Mr. Gladstone was at Oxford a motion about the execution of Charles I. was a sure and certain means of rousing the angriest passions at the Union. These facts we record not out of any reverence for the political judgment of Horace Walpole and Tom Brown, nor yet to mock at the fervour of undergraduates' opinions, but to show that for a good many generations ordinary Englishmen had, like David Copperfield's, Mr. Dick, a good deal of difficulty in keeping King Charles's head out of theirs. We can do it nowadays. Whatever our opinions, we no longer make the execution of the King matter for passion. Whether we be of the school of Johnson or of Boswell's father as to the justice of the deed and its effects, we consider it with the calm of the historian. But the story and the sequel will always interest people who "speak the tongue which Shakespeare spake," and in New England at this moment it seems to be found even more interesting than among the older English. The antiquarians there are engaged upon a search "for the bones of William Goffe, the Judge who signed the death-warrant of Charles I." A great many judges, of course, did that—fifty-eight in all. Sixty-eight had taken their seats at the King's trial. The warrant, still preserved in the library of the House of Lords, shows that Goffe's name was signed fourteenth in the first column. It is very probable that he was one of the fiercer party who signed before the rest could be persuaded to. He was one of Cromwell's men; he had been a leader at the prayer-meeting of the officers which decided to bring the King to trial. An odd thing is that, at the very same time, his own brother, Stephen Goffe, was trying to arrange the King's escape from prison. The

family was much divided, for while Stephen went on to become a Roman Catholic divine, and chaplain to the widowed Queen, Will (so he signs himself) was one of Cromwell's peers and major-generals, and (as some thought) was "in a fair way to the Protectorship hereafter," if England could have endured a Puritan military oligarchy any longer. It is said that he urged Oliver Cromwell's son to make a fight for it when the Protectorate was tottering. But Richard Cromwell was the wisest man to take his fall meekly. As Lady Fairfax cried out at Charles I.'s trial, "not a half nor a quarter of the people of England" desired to execute the King or to do without a King, though to be sure they were not much conciliated by King Charles's declaration on the scaffold that the people should have no share in government "that is nothing pertaining to them." Ten years of Puritanism triumphant had, however, convinced them that they would have a larger share in government with a King and Parliament than with a Protector and major-generals. Charles II. came back, and Will Goffe ran away. Whether he had special cause we cannot tell. Nineteen of the men who signed the death-warrant, and who were in the hands of the Government, were not punished. The Restoration was not murderous, though it perpetrated some ignoble vengeance. Goffe got off to Massachusetts, with a proclamation after him and £100 on his head. They were all Puritans in New England, and Goffe and his father-in-law "held meetings where they preached and prayed, and were looked upon as men dropped down from heaven." Warrants came after these heavenly visitors, and they had to hide in woods and caves, from which Goffe suddenly emerged to save a town from an Indian raid by his old-Cromwellian prowess. Then he vanished from history and life, and no one knows where he was laid. We congratulate the antiquaries of Connecticut on their zeal for the memory of a remarkable man, but we must warn them not to hope that the Puritan major-general had, as tradition fondly says, "a sword-hilt containing a Bible and a dagger."



## RIOTS TRIAL. CHINESE PHYSICIAN'S EVIDENCE. TRUTH AT LAST.

### Students Not Shot In The Back.

During the Mixed Court trial of alleged rioters in Shanghai a Chinese physician gave evidence that the students were not shot in the back.

Shanghai. A Chinese physician's testimony that the student rioters killed at the Louza station on May 30 were not shot in the back, and the admission of a missionary who saw the shooting that under the circumstances the police action was inevitable, were the outstanding incidents in the hearing of 19 students charged with participation in the riots in the International Mixed Court before Mr. Jacobs, American Assessor, and Magistrate Kwan.

Forty six students were scheduled to appear, but 27 forfeited bail ranging from \$10 to \$100.

Dr. O. Fischer watched the case on behalf of the Chinese Commissioner of Foreign Affairs. Mr. E. T. Maitland, police prosecutor, conducted the case against the accused, one of whom was defended by the Chinese lawyer, Mr. Ho Fei. In the afternoon Dr. H. C. Mei was called in to defend some of the students.

The evidence was most important in correcting statements which have been made repeatedly not only by agitators but even by the Peking Government in notes directed to the Legations.

Dr. H. C. Chen, a Chinese physician attached to the Woonung Road police hospital, contradicted the unsupported statements which have been circulated throughout China and in foreign countries that the students were shot in the back. Dr. Chen examined seven of the slain men when they were brought into the hospital after the riots of Saturday and Monday.

Dr. Chen said one of the victims was wounded in the left scapula, the second in the chest, a third in the right side, a fourth in the neck, a fifth in the right shoulder, a sixth in the chest and left shoulder-blade, and the seventh in the left eye and skull.

The Chinese physician added that any wounds which might have been received in the backs of other wounded men might easily have been received while turning around to beckon the rioters to come on.

Mr. Harry Westridge, a Szechwan missionary attached to the China Inland Mission, who has lived for 15 years in China, in giving the evidence, upheld the necessity of the shooting. Near the Town Hall the mob were striking the foreign police with their fists, and witness particularly noticed how forbearing the police were in endeavouring to maintain order. When they were being overwhelmed and had to protect their lives he saw one Sikh policeman draw his baton, while the foreign officers drew their canes.

"I noticed," continued Mr. Westridge, "that when the police had their backs turned to any of the attackers the mob seemed to gather more courage. Crowds from the side street began to flow into Nanjing Road. The side of the tram car held up in the vicinity assisted the police in their manœuvres to make a more hurried return to the station. The crowd ran on the other side of the tram in an endeavour to intercept the police, and were by this time rushing forward from all directions to the Louza police station.

I rather feared what would take place, and suddenly heard the shooting. The police seemed to be inside the entrance, and appeared to come out to meet the throng."

Asked what would have happened if the police had not then opened fire the witness replied: "I am used to Chinese crowds, and at first this one appeared to be simply the grinning 'look sees.' They appeared to be a lot of boys who never expected to run into so serious a matter. I think the students started out without ever dreaming of so serious an ending. If the police had hesitated a moment they would have been trampled down unquestionably."

Cross-examined by the Chinese lawyer as to what nationality he was the witness replied that he was born in England, but that in Szechwan he was called a Chinaman. After the shooting occurred he rendered assistance to the wounded. The surging mass were yelling so much that he only heard the sound of the shots.

Witness in answer to a question put to him replied by asking the Chinese lawyer if he realised what the students were doing at the time when "they were yelling and screaming and rushing at the police station from three directions in a mixed mob."

Asked if he would have shot, he replied to the Magistrate that "he would have hated to as a missionary, but that as an officer of the law there was no option. If it had been a foreign crowd at home we would have got the same. I believe that the students were looking for trouble, and not the police."

Witness told the court that some of the older students he saw in the street appeared to be the leaders, and that one man who ran along the side streets shouting and waving a flag appeared to be acting as a warner and a collector of the crowd.

Inspector Everson then elaborated the evidence he gave at the inquest, describing how the mob had "made a blind rush at the gates." When the mob were within six feet of the police he gave the order to fire. The crowd in the opinion of the witness were by no means composed of all students, and by the look of most of them they appeared to be loafers.

The afternoon session was occupied until 6.15 in hearing the evidence of the other foreign police who drove the crowd back to Wing On's and were then attacked near the Town Hall. The case was adjourned, bail being granted to all the accused.

## LONG HOURS.

### Osaka and Bombay Conditions.

#### INDIA'S LEAD.

NO NIGHT WORK FOR CHILDREN.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 15.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. J. S. Wardlaw Milne (Conservative) with regard to conditions of labour in Japanese cotton mills at Osaka compared with mills at Bombay, Lord Winterton, Under Secretary of State for India, said he had been informed that the legal maximum working hours under the Japanese factory act were twelve a day but this need not be strictly adhered to in factories employing only male operatives over fifteen years of age. Women usually worked between 10 and 12 hours a day and were employed at night.

The amendment act of 1921 reducing the legal maximum for women to eleven hours daily and prohibiting night work of women was not being enforced at present.

The legal maxima in India were sixty hours a week, eleven daily for adults and six daily for children under fifteen years of age. Night work for women was prohibited.

## RAILWAY MAGNATE.

### LOSS TO THE SOUTHERN PACIFIC.

(Reuter's American Service.)

NEW YORK, June 15.

The death has occurred of Mr. Julius Kruttschnitt, ex-Chairman of the Southern Pacific Railroad Company.

[Mr. Kruttschnitt, who was born in New Orleans in 1854, was connected with railways all his life, being resident engineer in charge of construction as far back as 1878 and rising to be General Manager of the Southern Pacific Company's Atlantic lines in 1885, ultimately becoming director and chairman of the whole concern. He was also a director of the Western Union Telegraph Company and similar concerns.]

## MEXICO'S DIGNITY

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, June 15.

Although the statement of President Calles, like that of Mr. Kellogg, was directed to the Press and the statements were therefore not an exchange between the two governments, some officials are astonished at Mr. Calles' use of the words "insults" and "threats against the sovereignty of Mexico," although it is recalled that Mr. Kellogg's statement was uncommonly blunt. Behind Mr. Kellogg's statement lies a wealth of information in regard to the conduct of Mexican affairs, including the seizure of American property by so-called agrarians.

London, June 15.—The suggestion of a conference with the Peking Government and representatives of the provinces interested in foreign trade, is made by Sir John Jordan in a letter to the "Times," wherein he cites past examples of successful Anglo-Chinese co-operation as an indication of the prospects of reconciling conflicting interests and claims.—Reuter.

London, June 15.—The proceeds of the sale of Dunlop debentures have been principally devoted to redeeming higher interest-bearing debentures shortly maturing, holders of which have first option on the new issue.—Reuter.

## QUEEN'S THEATRE.

### JACKIE COOGAN AS STAR CLOWN.

"As the hero of a circus, Jackie Coogan, a bareback riding down, is the envy of all small boys this week in his picture, "Circus Days," showing for last time to-day at the Queen's Theatre.

Incidentally, Jackie got just as much fun out of his rôle as any real boy, given a similar opportunity, might be expected to enjoy.

He has the rôle of Toby Tyler, who runs away from the farm of an overbearing uncle and obtains a job as a circus pennant salesman.

Toby's big chance comes when Jeannette, tiny equestrian star, sprains her ankle. He substitutes for her. To the surprise of everyone, including himself, he makes a great hit, though not in the way he meant.

He becomes the star clown of the show, his fortune is made, and little Jeannette looks upon him with admiring eyes.

## BANDIT'S ORDEAL.

### ON TRIAL FOR HIS LIFE.

#### PRISONER'S STATEMENT.

### "A Robber And a Thief But No Murderer."

Admitting that he is "a robber, a thief and a criminal," America's "Dick Turpin" stoutly denies that he is also a murderer.

America's master-criminal, Gerald Chapman, will learn soon whether he is to be hanged for the murder of a Connecticut policeman or spend the rest of his life in prison in expiation of the many daring highway robberies which have made his name a household word in New York and earned him the soubriquet of the "Dick Turpin of America." For a week Chapman, calm, thief, and a criminal I am," said Chapman smilingly, "but no murderer." When the police officer was shot down, he added he was miles away from New York, and he produced witnesses to substantiate his alibi. The presence of his expensive motor-car near the scene of the tragedy he explained by the fact that his associates used it in his absence, and the burglar's tools and nitro-



watchfully alert, and constantly whispering advice to his counsel, has been facing a jury of hard-headed farmers in the Court House at Hartford, Connecticut. A large force of police has been necessary to repel hundreds of men and women who fought to get into the court. "A robber, a

glycerine found by the police were common property and could not be laid specially at his door. Chapman's big card, played with the finesse of a master-gambler, was candour, and he emphasised that he had become so renowned owing to his various exploits that hundreds of crimes had been unjustly attributed to him. The Public Prosecutor, Mr. Hugh Atorn, attacked Chapman mercilessly in long hours of cross-examination, but the witness answered all questions with an educated drawl and an easy smile. He told a fascinating tale of robberies, rum-running, shootings, escapes from prison, the conversion of stolen goods, and life in the underworld generally, but denied the murder with the same apparent earnestness and frankness with which he admitted the other crimes.

## GULF OF YALU.

### APPROACH TO YALU RIVER.

#### TALUTAO ISLAND—LIGHT ESTABLISHED.

Notice is given that the light on Talutao Island, approach to the Yalu River, was exhibited for the first time at sunset on June 4, 1925.

The light-tower, which is round, built of steel, and painted white, is situated on the small island at the eastern end of Talutao Island, and is 28 feet in height from base to lantern vane.

The illuminating apparatus is Dioptric, of the Fourth Order, and the character of the light is group-flashing, showing two white lightning flashes every 10 seconds.

The light is elevated 248 feet above high water and should be visible, in clear weather at a distance of 22 nautical miles.

Approximate position: Latitude 39° 44' 40" N. Longitude 123° 44' 50" E. British Admiralty Chart No. 1256.

An American from Texas was asked by an English sportsman, "Is there good shooting here?" "Good shooting? You bet! I've seen six men shot in the saloon in one afternoon."

A schoolmaster picked up a penny in the playground. Later, when all the scholars had assembled, he asked: "Has any boy lost a penny?"

After a short pause a small boy held up his hand. "Please, sir, I did."

"Ah, Tom Jones; and where did you lose it?" "Please, sir, where you found it!"



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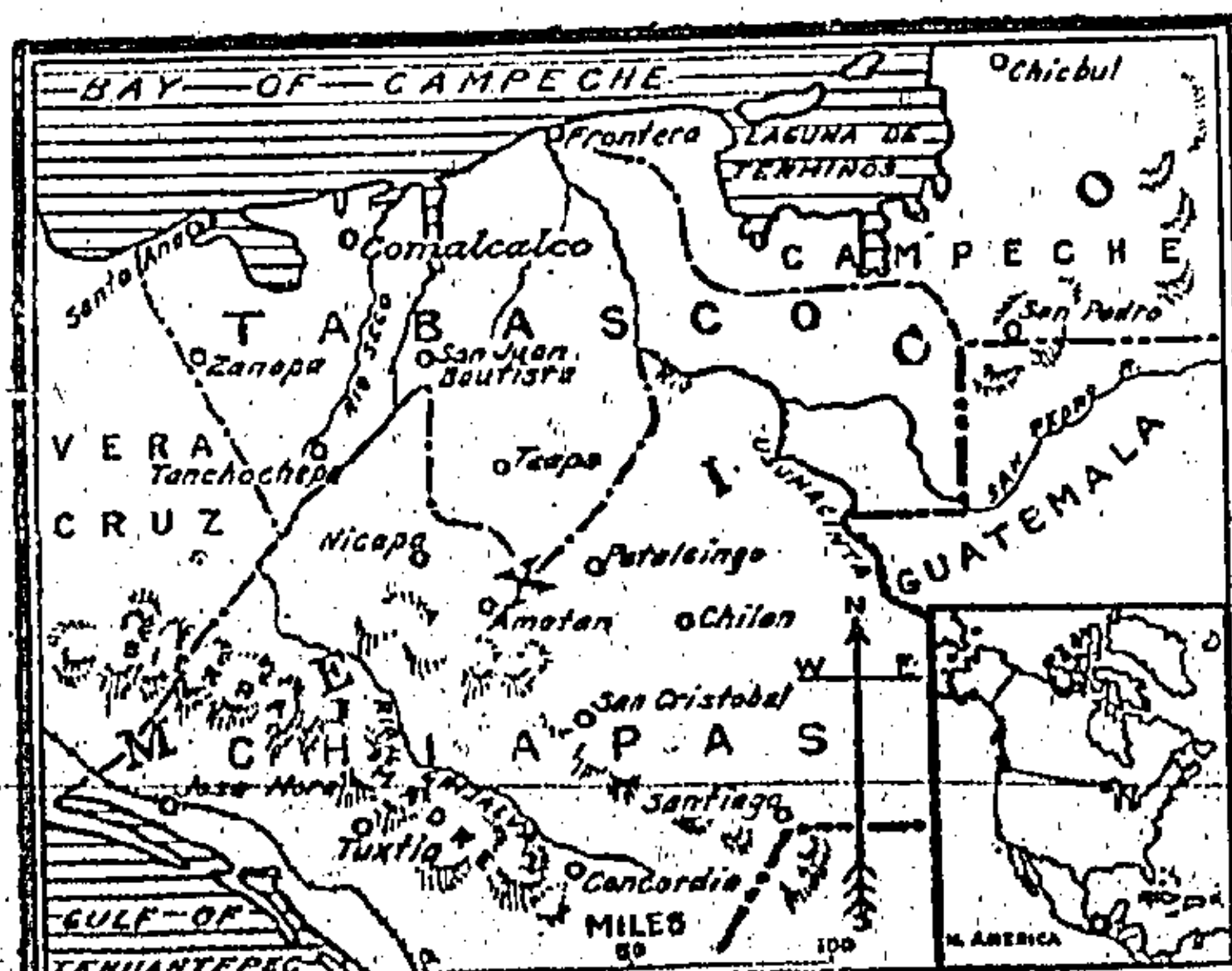
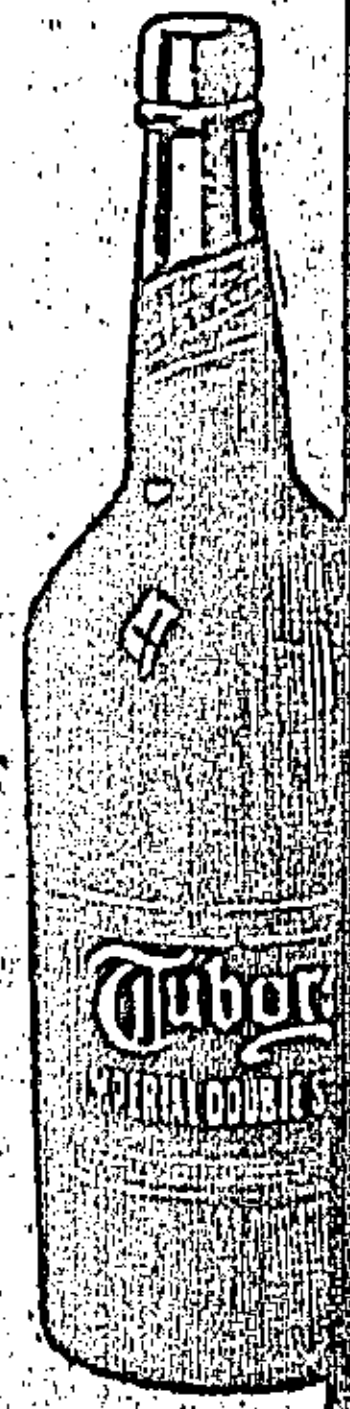
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MORE MAYA RUINS FOUND—Explorations on the site of the ancient city of Calakmul, in the state of Yucatan, Mexico, have disclosed ruins of Maya Indian temples, pyramids, and palaces, and inscriptions that rank the city among the greatest of the old Maya empire.



# "CHINA MAIL" SPORTS PAGE.

## COUNTY CRICKET.

### YORKSHIRE SHARE FIRST PLACE.

#### BOWLERS ON TOP.

#### RACE BETWEEN TWO ROSE COUNTIES.

Two more county cricket matches have been decided in two days.

By defeating Notts—a possible "outsider" for the championship—Yorkshire now equal Lancashire at the top of the table far ahead of Surrey who are next. Meanwhile Lancashire are visiting Lord's and the result will be through by tomorrow; anything short of victory would mean losing first place.

Notts have not met with defeat so far this season; now only the two Rose counties are left with clean sheets.

At the other end, Worcestershire defeated Glamorgan who thus retain the bottom position.

#### Results In Detail.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, June 15.

At Sheffield Yorkshire beat Notts by five wickets. Scores: Notts (1st innings): 139. Kilner, R., took 4 wickets for 46 runs.

Yorkshire (1st innings) 157. Barratt, F., took 7 wickets for 71 runs.

Notts (2nd innings) 165.



Roy Kilner, who was one of the M.C.C. team in Australia last winter.

## LADY GOLFER.

### MISS GLENNA COLLETT IN BRITAIN.

#### U. S. CHAMPION.

Of the American lady golfer now seeking honours in Britain, George W. Greenwood writes:—

Miss Collett's golfing career commenced at the age of fourteen, and two years ago she gained one of the desires of her life by winning the United States championship, having in the meantime captured State championships in almost every part of the American Continent. She was taught by Alec Smith, a brother of Macdonald Smith, and has also received valuable assistance from Hagen and Sarazen. Miss Collett carries a veritable forest of clubs—five wooden clubs and a regular armoury of iron—but only a favoured few are given a chance of justifying their existence. Like most first-class American golfers, Miss Collett dispenses with the formalities of address; the clubhead is placed to the ball, there follows one small movement, and the swing is started. It is an object-lesson in economy of physical and nervous effort.

When I first set eyes on Miss Collett I was reminded of Mr. Bobby Jones, who wastes no time in preparation; he walks up to the ball, puts the club down, and with only a further preliminary, the swing commences. It is of admirable scheme if you can do it, because it tends to less confusion of mind, the great obstacle to all progress in golf. I do not think there can be any doubt that Miss Collett is the best American lady golfer who has yet seen. Her wooden club play is particularly good, both as regards length and accuracy. This can scarcely be said of her iron shots, which are inclined to be a little "faddy," because she swings at the ball instead of hitting it. In this respect there is a marked difference between Miss Collett and Miss Wethered. The latter attacks the ball as if she meant business, while the American girl gives the impression that she is afraid to hurt it.

scored 60; T. Arnott took 6 wickets for 76 runs. Glamorgan 162.

#### To-morrow's Fixtures.

Twelve of the first-class counties will be engaged in championship matches commencing to-morrow, the most important of which is probably that between Kent and Middlesex. The full list is:—

Lord's—North v. South, Minor Counties (2 days).

Oval—Surrey v. Cambridge University.

Tonbridge—Kent v. Middlesex.

Huddersfield—Yorkshire v. Glamorgan.

Leicester—Leicestershire v. Warwickshire.

Trent Bridge—Notts v. Worcester.

Brighton—Sussex v. Gloucestershire.

Leyton—Essex v. Lancashire.

## LADY SUSPENDED.

### HOME GOLF UNION'S ACTION.

#### DRASTIC DEED.

The Ladies' Golf Union in Great Britain has suspended for three years a lady who returned an incorrectly marked card.

Leading players and sportsmen say that cases of women cheating are very rare, and that women are just as good sports as men.

The consensus of opinion regarding the Ladies' Golf Union's drastic action in suspending for three years a lady member of the Dorset Club, for returning an incorrectly marked card, is that it will be a timely warning that adherence to the rules is growing woefully lax.

One critic says: "It is a terrible warning, but the players are constantly incurring penalties of which they are entirely ignorant." The "Evening News" remarks: "Cheating at golf is not usually done out of a desire for dishonest gain, but for the sake of vanity, enabling a player to boast of the lowness of his, or her, score. It is an unpleasant thing to say, but the unanimous opinion is that women in all games are not as strictly accurate at scoring as men, who are more accustomed to take beatings cheerfully."

#### One Explanation.

Commenting on the news, the "Sydney Sun" remarks:—

"Well, thank goodness, I did that hole in six!"

And in nearly every case the dear girl golfer thinks she really did it in six.

Then the mere male ungallant reminds her that she has forgotten her tee shot, which she had neatly and cleanly missed altogether, and the ball that she lost, and the three shots she had in that awful bunker, and the putt that should have gone down, but annoyingly lipped the hole.

And, being a mere man, especially if he is her husband, he compromises and puts her down a noble nine.

And the dear girl still thinks that she did it in an eight.

It isn't her fault, if she is a beginner. Women aren't good at figures, except their own.

The dreadful cable that is printed telling of the Ladies' Golf Union drastically suspending for three years a lady for returning an incorrectly marked card, is the blow by imputing the fault to vanity.

A lady handicapper in a Sydney golf club, who knows her sex and the game, is quoted as follows:—

"Beginners at the game are apt to forget the exact number of their strokes in their absorption over their new pastime. I couldn't have taken ten for that hole; I'm sure I did it in eight!" they say, and honestly believe, until their partner details every stroke.

"I know in all my experience only one case of a woman who returned a wonderful card, obviously not correct. Another type of woman golfer is the one who says, 'Surely I didn't take seven for that hole? I simply hate to have seven on my card.'"

## GOOD TRAINING.



Servant: "The dog has brought a bird!"  
Baron: "Did I shoot it?"  
Servant: "I don't think so. It's cooked!"  
Baron: "Heavens! My breakfast!"

Nagels Lustige Welt, Berlin.

## SHANGHAI TROUBLE.

### TODAY'S EARLIER CABLES.

### JAPAN'S WARNING.

#### POSSIBLE INDEMNITY DEMANDS.

(Reuter's Service.)

#### PEKING, June 15.

The largest demonstration in Peking since the crisis began, met this afternoon at Tien An Men, consisting of students, merchants, shopkeepers and workmen. They paraded to the Wanchiao with the object of demanding that the Government should sever relations with Britain and instruct General Hsiao Yao-nan to send troops to take back the Hankow Concession to the British.

It is understood that Mr. Shen Jui-lin (Foreign Minister) returned to his duties to-day.

#### Cabinet Meets.

The Cabinet and local Authorities held a long meeting to-day to discuss measures for the protection of foreigners in China.

There is no confirmation of the Chinese report regarding Kaifeng, but letters from Kaifeng, dated June 13, state that most foreigners are leaving the city.

#### New British Note.

PEKING, June 15. The British Note, in reply to the Chinese Note regarding the Hankow riots, points out the inaccuracies therein and states the facts during the riots. From which, it will be seen that the Volunteers showed great restraint and refrained from firing even when the mob charged almost on the points of the bayonets.

The Note says that the foreigners were defending their lives against a murderous mob and does not admit the responsibility of the British Authorities, who were unable to obtain prompt protection from the Chinese Authorities and were obliged to act for themselves.

The Note demands a conference with the Peking Government and representatives of the Provinces interested in foreign trade is made by Sir John Jordan, in a

## FAMOUS SINGER COMING HERE.



Mr. Edward Johnson, the famous Canadian tenor, who gives a concert in Hongkong on Monday next.

checked. It refers to the dissemination of pamphlets, giving the most mendacious accounts of the happenings. It concludes that these pamphlets are most dangerous for peoples, whose disposition is uncertain. One explosion may be followed by others with deplorable results.

#### Japan's Note.

PEKING, June 15. The Japanese Legation, on June 12, sent a Note to the Wanchiao, drawing attention to the Hankow affair, and requesting that steps be taken to prevent any repetition.

The "Eastern News Agency" says that the Note warns the Chinese Government that the unhappy incidents such as the Hankow riots, which are occurring in various parts of the country, are deplorable not only for the victimised Powers but also for China herself. Therefore, it is devoutly hoped that the Chinese Government as well as the local Chinese Authorities will exert all their powers to exercise vigorous control and maintain peace and order in the country.

Finally the Note says: "Japan reserves the right to demand in future from China payment of indemnity for the loss of lives and property of Japanese residents in Hankow after full investigations have been completed."

#### Situation Easier.

SHANGHAI, June 15. The situation in the Settlement is easier, owing to Sino-foreign official discussions. The shipping situation is unchanged. The majority of Chinese clients will

meet their obligations at the Dragon Festival (June 24).

Other import in Chinese business men are beginning to show impatience at the trade deadlock; and are daily discussing the situation with their foreign friends.

#### Strikers Still Busy.

Outside the Settlement, the activities of the strikers are unabated.

The strikers on June 13 intimidated workers at Jardine's Kung Yik Cotton Mill and the employees walked out.

The Japanese at Chapei recently were faced with the acute shortage of food and fuel, which were unobtainable from the Chinese.

The Japanese Emergency Union purchased supplies for the Settlement, but were unable to transport them.

The Consul informed the Chinese that unless the police escorted the supplies, Japanese units would do so.

The Chinese immediately complied. Frequently attacks on individual Japanese in Hongkew and Chapei are continuing.

#### News From Tientsin.

Tientsin, June 15. A party of 25,000 students, yesterday, made a demonstration and held a procession in the Native City here, to show sympathy with the Shanghai strikers.

The City Police, reinforced by Fengtien troops, kept order. By special arrangement between the Chinese Authorities and the British Municipal Council, a body of Fengtien Gendarmes have entered the British Concession. They were billeted in order to co-operate with the British Municipal Police in the event of trouble in the Concession.

#### Conference Proposed.

London, June 15. The suggestion for a conference with the Peking Government and representatives of the Provinces interested in foreign trade is made by Sir John Jordan, in a

## TWO LIVES LOST.

### LAST NIGHT'S HEAVY RAIN.

### SERIOUS DAMAGE.

#### Steam Roller Battered to Pieces.

Although it has materially solved the serious problem of water supply, last night's deluge has left a trail of disaster, two lives having been lost, shops flooded and roads closed as a result of landslides.

The two lives lost were through the collapse of the retaining wall at Happy Valley referred to elsewhere. This was a wall used in connection with dumping from Stubbs Road being between it and the Wongsichong end of Happy Valley. The force of the water pouring over it eventually carried away the huge boulders of which it was composed and hurled them down the precipitous slope to the corner of Happy Valley.

There are no houses immediately below the wall but two cars (believed to have been unattended at the time) were outside the Yeung Wo Nursing Home which itself just escaped the main fall. Of these there is nothing left but twisted body work. Yet more telling evidence of the force of the fall, is the condition of a P.W.D. steam roller which together with the cars bore the brunt of the landslide. Huge granite boulders have battered the upper part of it almost to pieces and the watchman who was in charge of it is one of the two whose bodies were recovered this morning by the Fire Brigade.

#### Search In Dark.

A police officer who was on the spot shortly after the disaster was reported (between one and two this morning) spoke with admiration to a "China Mail" representative of the work of the firemen. Happy Valley at the time was, in his view, "like a millpond" and in addition at the spot where they were searching for any vestiges of life, the water was still pouring down the hillside like a cataract. Roped together and held by others from points of greater degree of safety they worked in the dark waist deep in water. The bodies of the steam roller, watchman and a hawker whose pitch had been carried away were the only ones recovered but digging operations continue.

The spot where the disaster occurred, indeed the whole of Happy Valley, presented scenes of indescribable confusion this morning, huge boulders sticking up from piles of sand and slush.

## COMING HERE.

### FAMOUS CANADIAN TENOR.

#### CONCERT ON MONDAY.

Mr. Edward Johnson, Canadian tenor, the pupil of Lombardi, Caruso's teacher, appears at the Theatre Royal for one night only on June 22.

Edward Johnson is considered the Royal tenor of Italy, for during his seven years unique success all over Europe. His Majesty the King of Italy watched with keen interest this tenor's brilliant career, and in 1920 conferred upon him the Cross of Officer of the Order of the Crown of Italy.

In Rome when His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was the guest of the King of Italy, he expressed a desire that this gifted tenor should be presented to him after a Command Performance, and a few weeks later, when His Royal Highness was in Guelph, Canada, the birth-place of the tenor, he expressed publicly in his speech the glories of Johnson's divine voice, and urged his townspeople to turn out to the last man to do Johnson due honour on his return home.

Johnson has also sung before Her Majesty the Queen of Roumania, one of the greatest operatic critics in Europe, who expressed the view that Johnson has one of the most glorious voices she has ever heard.

Johnson's success in New York as the leading tenor of the Metropolitan Opera Co. is known all the world over.

He has sung in every famous Opera House in the World and everywhere he has obtained great success.

Such a great tenor is to be heard at the Theatre Royal on Monday, June 22, and the residents of the Colony are earnestly urged to be present at the Theatre and give him his due honour by a most enthusiastic reception, for he comes here at the express invitation of some of the music-lovers of Hongkong.

In the East we are cut off for years at a time from contact with great music and opportunities of hearing artists of such a high standard are very rare, and in order to induce other great artists to visit this Colony, it is but natural that the only encouragement that they need is the hearty support of the public.

The plan is at Moutries and the charges are \$4.00, \$2.00 and \$1.00.

The main body of water in the Valley itself has found an outlet to the canal, although it is still feet deep at the western end. Most of the posts and railings have stood the strain, however.

#### Trams Held Up.

The Happy Valley tram car got no further than the scene of the disaster but little inconvenience is experienced as the circuit can almost be completed and when the tram gets as far as possible, it returns on its own track. To keep the track clear here and in the region of Morrison Hill, Broadwood and Wong-wei-chong Gap roads it was necessary to keep gangs of coolies working all night, for as fast as it was cleared, more earth and rock would be carried down. The City and the Western district were served with trams as usual last night but it was found necessary to discontinue those to the Eastern districts about 10.30. A start was able to be made this morning, through the good work already mentioned.

#### Motor Cars Escapes.

About eight cars are imprisoned at various points along Stubbs Road through landslides having occurred before and behind them whilst in motion. The occupants must have had marvellous escapes but beyond having to abandon their cars they appear to have escaped unhurt. Two of them were cars of the Hotels Company. The Hon. Mr. C. McI. Messer was among the "captives." A night walk up the Peak soaked to the skin seems to have been the only hardship suffered by Mr. McI. Messer together with others.

Stubbs Road as far as Bowen Road is absolutely impassable but upon enquiry the "China Mail" learned from Mr. H. E. Goldsmith, in charge of the Roads Department, that it was hoped to clear that particular sector in the course of the day. From Bowen Road to the Peak might necessitate an extra day's work before it could be cleared and even longer in the case of the sector of the new road from Bowen Road to Repulse Bay and the round-the-island road from Repulse Bay to Shaokwan.

#### Streets Flooded.

The actual City appears to have escaped with mere inconvenience caused by floods although houses in Wanchai, little more than coffee sheds, appear to have collapsed. This morning, apart from pools, little remained to indicate what the main roads were like at the height of the storm but any who were on the Praya between two and three a.m. speak of streams of water feet deep sweeping across. Owners of shops in Queen's Road have had an anxious night, many of them having been up all night directing bailing operations. As usual the shops in the neighbourhood of the Tabacqueria Filipina have suffered mainly through their low lying position.

At St. Francis Street, Wanchai, a number of houses were in danger of collapsing through the floods and when owners abandoned them last night many of them, were swept away by floods of water racing down the street. There appear to have been no casualties, however. Slight landslides are reported at Magazine Gap Road and Macdonnell Road.

#### Ten Inches of Rain.

Official figures of the rainfall, supplied, on application, by Mr. C. W. Jeffries, acting Director, Royal Observatory, show that between 8 p.m. and midnight over 7½ inches fell and by 11.30 this morning the total had become 10.25 inches.

The heaviest rainfall would appear to have been between 10.30 p.m. and 11.30 p.m. when 3.60 inches fell. Other figures are between 8.30 p.m. and 9.30 p.m., 1.015 in.; between 9.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m., 2.010 in.; between 11.30 p.m. and 12.30, 1.320 in.

The maximum rainfall on one civil day, Mr. Jeffries informs us, was 20.495 inches on May 30 1889, and the present fall has been exceeded on many occasions since.

The over night rainfall will probably enable the whole City to be put on full supply in a day or so, the "China Mail" was informed upon enquiry.

A Chinese was taken to the Government Civil Hospital with a fractured foot. The injuries were caused by the man hesitating before an Aberdeen motor bus at the junction of Queen's Road West and Centre Street.

"Some Difficulties of the Inner Life" will be the subject of this week's Public Lecture of the Hongkong Lodge Theosophical Society, 16 Queen's Road Central, on Wednesday June 17, at 5.45 p.m. The Public are cordially invited.

## A "FAMILY FIRM."

### \$10,000 BANK CLAIM EVIDENCE.

The further grounds that the men signature of the firm was his and that the firm was known as a "family" one were argued in the Supreme Court morning as evidence against Ping-sham that he was liable at firm.

plaintiffs are the Industrial Commercial Bank and they against the defendant the \$10,000 in connection with a bond, signed on behalf

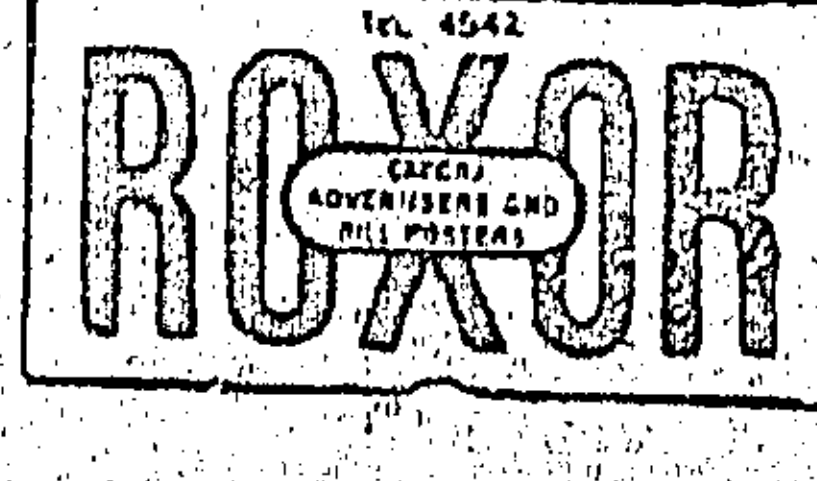
of the firm, the overdraft of which had not been met.

The manager of the Bank at the time the account of the firm was opened (Li Yau-sang) gave evidence this morning and was subjected to severe cross-examination by Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Messrs. Deacon) who appears for the defendant. He admitted that he sometimes got "mixed up" between British custom and Chinese custom as this had been his first experience of a Chinese Bank.

An employee at the Secretariat for Chinese Affairs was to have been called as an expert by the Hon. Mr. C. G. Alabaster (instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and

Grist) who appeared for the Bank, but as he was a Government servant he was not subpoenaed and had been called away in connection with a police raid.

The case was therefore adjourned.



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## PERIL IN THE DARK.

TORRENT OF MUD AND WATER.  
HOUSES COLLAPSE.

## Wongneichong Village's Luckless Plight.

Much havoc was wrought by the heavy rainstorm last night in a low-lying part of Happy Valley where a village of over a thousand souls was in peril during the dark hours.

As will be seen from the photographs reproduced, the village of Wongneichong, the inhabitants of which are descended from forebears who were in the Colony before Hongkong was ceded to Britain, has suffered from deluges in previous years.

Last night no life was lost in the village itself, but just outside the Young Woo Nursing Home, a hawk's pitch was carried away and it is believed that the unfortunate man perished. A retaining wall by the roadside near where the old "Happy Retreat" stood gave way. Boulders and earth were carried down by the downpour of rain, which swept with it the hawk's pitch. This morning, Sanitary Department coolies were digging about and, so it is stated, a corpse was recovered, believed to be the remains of the hawk.

Two motor-cars in that part of Happy Valley were also victims of the storm. One was badly broken up into several main parts which were lying on the road when a "China Mail" representative passed. Another car had been washed over the ditch into the race-course where its wheels were pointing to the sky. Besides the driver of one car taken to hospital with injuries, it is not known if the damage to the cars entailed any other casualty.

Pandemonium reigned in Wongneichong village last night as soon as the storm came on. Rain fell in such torrents that mud from building sites on adjacent but higher ground was moving like a river into the narrow lanes of the village.

According to some of the inhabitants, the village has been immune from floods for at least a hundred years. In 1923, when the Race Course was bathed in mud, a number of houses in the village collapsed. At the height of the property boom, building operations began on the slopes, behind the village. In the course of site preparation much earth became loosened and it was this earth that

choked up the village lanes, doors and windows, and thus blocked the passage of water until the village was flooded out and collapses of houses occurred.

Since then, the villagers have always lived in a state of alarm. Last night, mud flowed copiously into the village and soon the entrances to the old-style houses were choked, keeping in the village all the water that had found its way into the lower ground.

About ten houses simply gave way under the strain and both roofs and walls caved in. An old woman was caught in some falling debris which, however, made a natural cavity for her to stand in until Fire Brigade rescuers dug her out from her danger. In the lowest parts of the village, mud and water was roof-high. Other houses had mud completely obscuring their doors and windows, the loose earth making a dam and converting the tenements into temporary water tanks.

Steps have been taken since the first deluge in 1923 to abate the danger but radical changes will have to be made before these luckless villagers can live safely in houses handed down to them from generation to generation and representing to some, all their worldly belongings. That hardship is entailed is evident from one instance of a villager borrowing over \$100 to effect repairs in 1923 only to have his house down again last night. The village maintains that had it not been for the loose earth being deposited in such huge and loose quantities in close proximity to them, and on ground just above their habitations, the floods would not have occurred.

Native.—What are you sobbing about, my good friend?

Tourist.—This wonderful climate—this great country—

Native.—Well, now, stop and stay here the rest of your life. You don't have to go back.

Tourist.—I'm not going back, but think what I've missed by not being born here.

## ARMY'S SAFETY-LIMIT.

## GENERAL CHETWODE'S WARNING.

Lieut. General Sir Philip W. Chetwode General Officer Commanding-in-Chief at Aldershot, speaking at the annual dinner of the Staffordshire Society, at the Midland Grand Hotel, said before the war we spent £28,000,000 on the Army and maintained six divisions; to-day we spent £44,000,000 and had three divisions only. So long as Great Britain placed her faith on voluntary enlistment she must pay through the nose in this way. There was a striking instance of this in the case of the Royal Air Force. The French air authorities could go into the streets and seize upon a high-class mechanic and give him 2d. a day for his skill, but in England we could not get the high-class mechanic at all for the R.A.F. and had to train boys specially for the work. He warned the country that an army could not be produced by a conjuring trick in times of emergency, and the post-war history of the Army had been one of discouragements and curtailments, and even though not at the present moment of neglect. To-day we could not produce more than two divisions at instant notice; the third would have to come later, and it would be many months afterwards before other divisions were ready to take the field. The meaning of all this was that the British Army was in no sense an instrument of offensive policy, and more than that, that it had reached the very bottom of the safety limit from the point of view of defensive policy.

In the absence of the Duke of Sutherland, through indisposition, Lord Charnwood, with whom was Lady Charnwood, presided.

Mr. W. H. Gelson proposed the toast of "The Navy, Army, and Air Force," to which General Sir Philip Chetwode replied.

Mr. C. Lloyd, M.P., gave the toast of "The Overseas Dominions," and Commander O. Locker-Lampson, M.P., responded.

Lord Charnwood, replying to the toast of the evening, "The Staffordshire Society," proposed by Mr. Deputy J. R. Brough, referred to the forthcoming visit of the King and Queen to Staffordshire to lay the foundation-stone of the North Staffordshire Infirmary extension.

Canon Farrell was dining with Father Healy and remarked, "I hear your whisky has a great reputation." Father Healy pushed the bottle across the table. "Go," he said, "seek the bubble reputation at the Canon's mouth."

## OPIUM FIND.

## STEAMER OWNERS PROSECUTED.

## A DIFFICULT DUTY.

The seizure of 9,009 tals of prepared opium on board the s.s. Hosang on April 30, had its sequel at the Central Magistracy yesterday before Mr. S. B. B. McKelvey when the owners of the vessel, the Indo-China Steam Navigation Company, Ltd., were charged with unlawfully using the ship for transportation of the drug.

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, prosecuted and Mr. K. E. A. Webster appeared for the defendant Company.

Outlining his case, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that a party of revenue officers found concealed in the bunkers under about 10 tons of coal 351 keelsons tins full of prepared opium. The placing of the opium where it was found entailed a considerable amount of work, and the Crown would like to know what precautions had been taken by those on board to prevent the concealment of such things, as opium and contraband. The quantity of opium was very large, and unless the section under which the defendants were charged was not going to be a dead letter altogether, Mr. Whyte-Smith considered that such incidents should not be allowed to pass. Continuing, Mr. Whyte-Smith said that there were connections between the two bunkers and the side of the ship had grilles through which it was possible to pass opium.

Chief Preventive Officer S. J. Clarke described the raid and stated under cross-examination that the ship had been searched previously by three different parties and all the contraband found was 60 tals of opium.

On resuming after a visit paid to the ship, Mr. Webster said that he had taken everything into consideration and His Worship had seen the ship. He would plead guilty to a technical offence, and quoted the case against the s.s. Loongsang in 1923 when the Magistrate found that there had been no guilty knowledge on the part of the officers of the ship, but nevertheless found the Company guilty of a technical offence.

Mr. Webster explained the precautions taken by the Company and the officers of the vessels to prevent smuggling of opium. It was practically impossible to stop smuggling if people were determined. The ship had been searched several times before and after leaving Amoy and nothing in the nature of contraband was found. As evidence of the alertness of the officers while the vessel was at Amoy, Mr. Webster quoted an instance of the chief officer investigating into the contents of some kerosene tins taken in, which were found to contain tea oil.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$100 and in doing so said that it was difficult to prevent smuggling. There was nothing in the evidence to show that the master and officers of the Hosang had any guilty knowledge. An order was made for the confiscation of the opium.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.  
ARRIVALS.

Leesang, (Br.) J. M. & Co, from Haiphong.  
Escondido, (Nor.) K. Larssen & Co, Put Back from Sea.  
Prominent, (Nor.) Fook Tai Cheong, from Saigon.  
Instaca, (Nor.) K. Larssen & Co, from Saigon.  
Yamagata Maru, (Jap.) N. Y. K., from Osaka, Moji.  
Kamo Maru, (Jap.) N. Y. K., from London, Singapore.  
Daishen Maru, No. 5, (Jap.) Y. K. K., from Keelung.  
Aitoku Maru, (Jap.) Suzuki & Co, from Dairen.  
Mao Lee, (Chi.) Yee Tai Hong, from Wei-hai-hei.

## DEPARTURES.

Kamo Maru, (Jap.) N. Y. K. for Yokohama, Shanghai.  
Sekkow Maru, (Jap.) O. S. K. for Saigon.  
Song Bo, (Fren.) M. M. for Korea Maru, (Jap.) T. K. K. for San Francisco, Shanghai.  
Clara Jensen, (Dan.) Kuen Sang, for Amoy.  
Sarpedon, (Br.) B. & S. for London, Singapore.  
Tak Hing, (Chi.) Fook Hal, for Amoy.  
Yamagata Maru, (Jap.) N. Y. K., for Rangoon, Singapore.  
India Arrow, (Amer.) St. Oil, for San Francisco Co, Haiphong.  
Kwei Yang, (Br.) B. & S., for Singapore, Haiphong.  
Benroch, (Br.) G. Livingstone, for Yokohama, Shanghai.  
Yu Sang, (Br.) J. M. & Co, for Tientsin, Chefoo.  
Hai Yang, (Br.) Kuen Sang, for Penang, Singapore.  
Aizawa Maru, (Jap.) M. B. K., for Fuzhou.

At a meeting of the Town Council of Hereford many years ago, one of the speakers made a speech of

## SHADOWS BEFORE.

## Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

## ENTERTAINMENTS.

June 16.—Coronet Theatre, "If Winter Comes."  
June 16.—World Theatre, "The Temporary Marriage."  
June 16.—Queen's Theatre, "Circus Days."  
June 16.—Star Theatre, "The Ridin' Kid of Powder River."  
June 22.—Theatre Royal, Edward Johnson, world-famed Canadian tenor, 9.30 p.m.

SOCIALS.  
June 20.—Fortnightly dance at the Peak Club, 9.15 p.m.  
July 4.—Special Dinner Dance at Hongkong Hotel, from 8 p.m. to midnight.

SPORTS.  
June 18.—Lawn Tennis Assn. meeting at the Pavilion of the H.K. Cricket Club, 5.30 p.m.  
June 19.—Annual meeting of members of the Victoria Recreation Club, at V.R.C., 6 p.m.

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.  
June 18.—Lammert Bros., at Sales Room, household furniture, 2.30 p.m.  
June 23.—Lammert Bros., at 9, Broadwood Road, household furniture, 2.45 p.m.

## ELOPEMENT DRAMA.

## FORGERY FOR GIRL WHO FORSOOK HIM.

Joseph Herbert Jones, 23, a clerk, of Totterdown, Bristol, who was said to have eloped 18 months ago with a pretty girl of 19 to Manchester, was at Bristol bound over on a charge of obtaining £400 by means of a forged cheque.

The cheque had been stolen from his employers, Messrs. Charles Hill and Sons, shipbuilders, Bristol, who had been in the habit, one of their directors told the Bench, of sending Jones to get cash from the bank.

Mr. E. J. Watson, who defended read a letter from the Customs officer at a bonded warehouse in Manchester, where Jones had found work as a clerk, saying that he had found him a man of high character and a loyal co-worker.

Mr. Watson said that Jones became acquainted with a girl, who after a time found herself in trouble. He asked her to marry him, but she would not consent then or since in spite of his urging.

They went to Manchester, and there they lived under an assumed name. The man tried to get work. He lost £125 in a shady company with which he sought employment. He got a job at the bonded warehouse, but he was only getting £2 10s. a week, and he was allowing the girl £3 a week as well as paying 30s. a week for lodgings, while her confinement cost him £80.

It was a very unhappy alliance, said Mr. Watson, followed by the disappearance of the girl and her child and his arrest 24 hours afterwards. Jones had suffered more punishment than any court could give him.

## LAW AND WIFE.

## WHAT THE HUSBAND IS LIABLE FOR.

"Though a wife is now responsible in some measure for the civil wrongs she commits, her husband's liability is as great as ever it was."

This statement was made to a reporter by a legal authority who was commenting on Lord Danesfort's motion which comes before the House of Lords urging that a husband be freed from his present liability for his wife's debts and torts.

"Lord Danesfort's motion," added the authority, "is aimed at removing what is regarded as an anomaly of English law. By the Common Law of England a married woman could not sue or be sued unless her husband was joined with her, but since the passing of the Married Women's Property Acts she may be sued in tort, that is to say, wrongful acts, other than breaches of contract, as if she were unmarried, and the damages sustained and the costs incurred recovered from her separate property."

"The Married Women's Property Acts do not prevent a husband and wife from being sued jointly for her wrongful acts, such as libel, slander, and fraud, and the husband is liable, although he may have had no knowledge of the wrongful acts, or even if his wife, driving her own car, knocks some one down."

"It isn't fair," said an official of the Women's International League, "to put any responsibility on to the women until you give them complete economic freedom."

## LUMBAGO.

This is rheumatism of the muscles of the back. It is caused by a strain of the muscles, or by a cold, or by a

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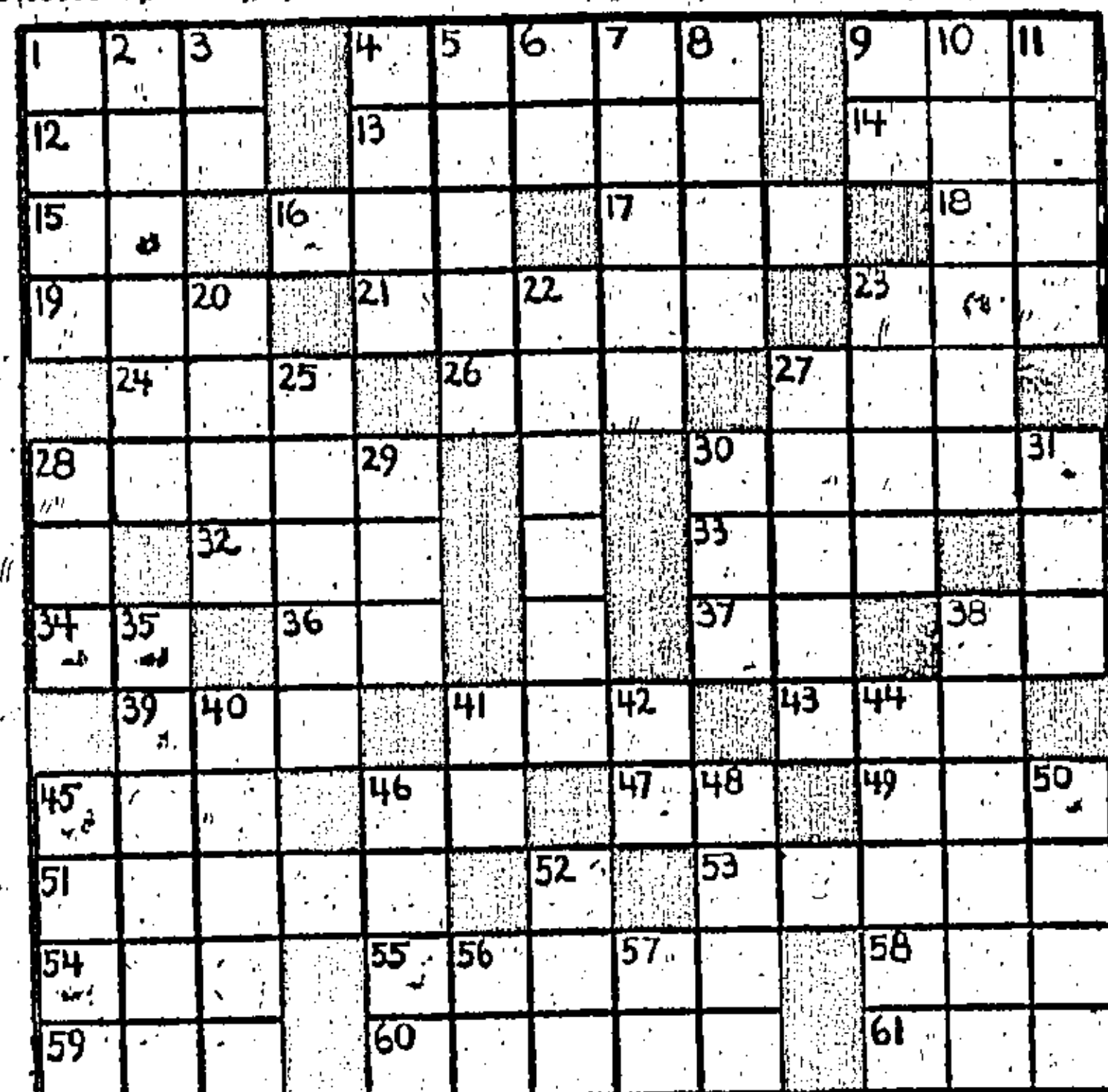
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## CHINA MAIL'S CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

(These cross-word puzzles have been made by experts but our readers are warned to watch out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



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## SUGGESTIONS FOR SOLVING CROSS-WORD PUZZLES

Start out by filling in the words of which you feel reasonably sure. These will give you a clue to other words crossing them and they in turn will give you others. A letter belongs in each white space, words starting at the numbered squares and running either horizontally or vertically or both.

## HORIZONTAL

- Compensation; wages
- Put up
- The June bug; a beetle
- Mail delivery in the country (abbr.)
- A British province, of S. Africa
- A Japanese woman's sash
- Conjunction
- Used in negation
- Initials of the author of "Treasure Island"
- Musical term "Long Meter" (abbr.)
- A chicken disease
- Marks of wounds
- A girl's name
- A public carriage
- Interjection
- Man's name (familiar)
- To leap
- A bevel on the edge of a cutting tool
- A sign of the zodiac
- A drink
- Personal pronoun
- A point of compass (abbr.)
- Man's name (familiar)
- Preposition
- To earn as clear profit
- A town in Wurttemberg, Germany
- Word of assent
- A common tree
- Banking term, "Days' sight" (abbr.)
- Interjection
- Man's name
- One of a wandering race
- Artist's support for his picture
- Suffix denoting an agent
- A member of a group of 8 African tribes
- A point of compass (abbr.)
- A small hole on the eyelid
- To go in
- Feminine of Saint (abbr.)

## VERTICAL

- A support
- One of the continents
- A measure of length (abbr.)
- Man's name
- A door fastener
- Preposition
- Linger
- A measure of length (pl.)
- Perform, enact
- Flattened at the poles
- Frost
- Boy's name
- Part of radio outfit
- Labyrinth
- Greatly favored
- Girl's name
- To promise solemnly
- Short coarse hemp or flax fiber
- Cry of the sheep
- Fate, destiny
- Enroll
- To express agreement
- Containing nothing
- Personal pronoun
- Northeastern State of U. S. (abbr.)
- Relieve, lighten
- A shield or defensive armor, or the mantle of Minerva
- An embankment
- German word for "meter"
- To the lee side
- Frequently (poet.)
- Indefinite article
- Latin for "that is" (abbr.)

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's "China Mail" along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

## The Holyrood Suite.

Lady Elgin is choosing her suite in anticipation of residence at Holyrood Palace, where Lord Elgin is to be Lord High Commissioner for the General Assembly of Scottish divines in May, and one of her two maids of honour will be Lord Balfour of Burleigh's youngest sister, Miss Victoria Bruce. A charming girl, though perhaps not possessing the striking good looks of her eldest sister, the widowed Lady Hope of Pinkie (observes a "Star" writer), Miss Bruce acted last year in a similar capacity at Holyrood. She is one of the very last children to whom Queen Victoria acted as god-mother.

## YESTERDAY'S SOLUTION

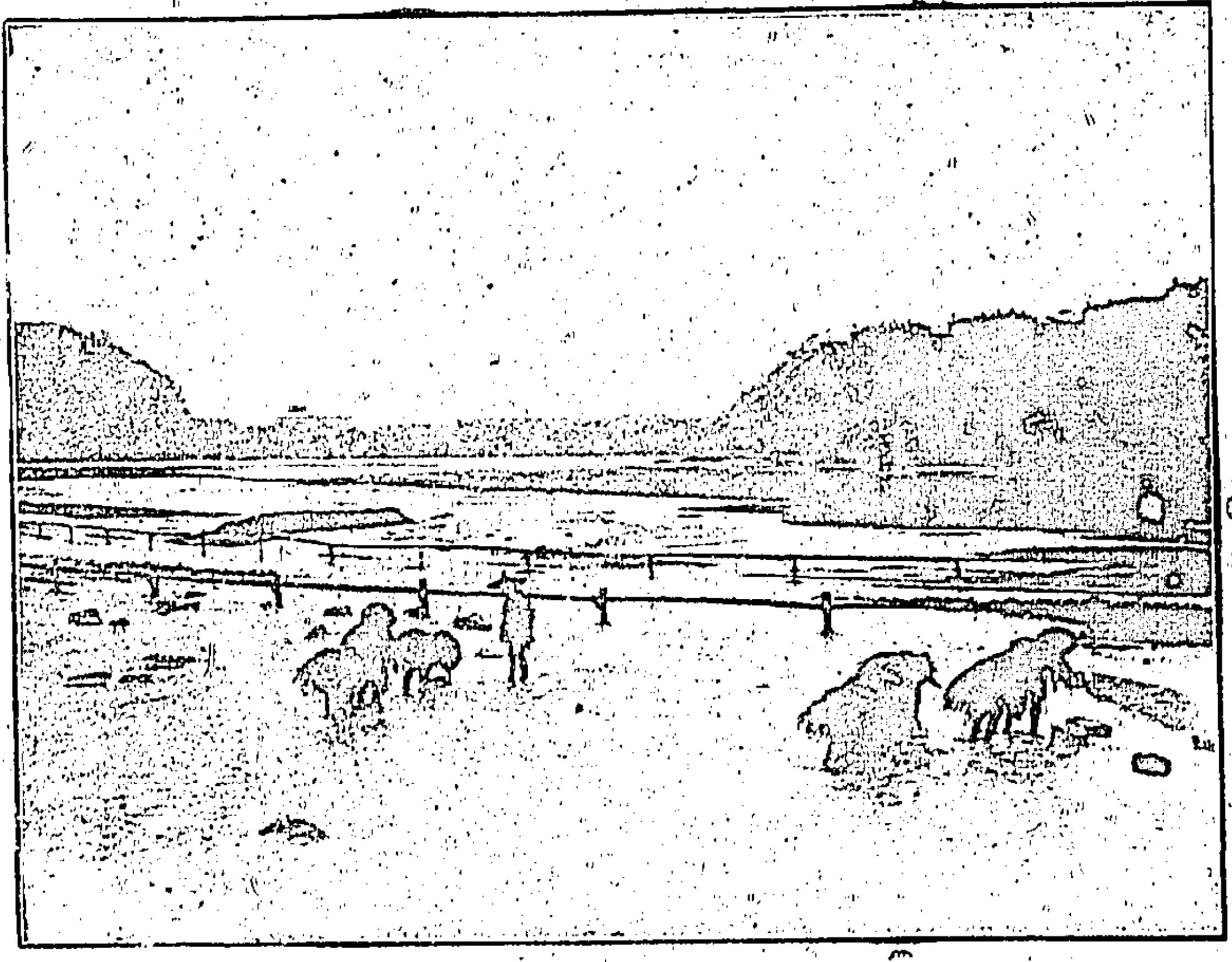
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It was amid similar scenes to this, only with water waist high, that the Fire Brigade worked early this morning.

## "LIKE A MILLPOND."



"Like a millpond" in the early hours of this morning, Happy Valley must have pre-



## WOMEN

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## RELINQUISHING BUSINESS

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The business of the Dressmaking Department will be permanently carried on as heretofore.

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

The War Memorial at Bermuda, a replica on a reduced scale of the London Cenotaph, has been unveiled.

For the 48 hours ended Sunday the return of notifiable diseases shows one Chinese case of cerebro-spinal fever.

An interesting sight was that seen last night outside the Harbour Office when Inspector Clark and his men attacked the cases containing beds—and contraband. The cases were stout ones and from their size the onlooker, not knowing of the seizure, imagined that some prosperous member of the Harbour Office had imported a motor car or two. The work was soon done. It was a sample of hard hitting and strenuous work.

The question (why Equire?) is asked by Industrial Peace. Its comment is as follows:—That nobody thinks it worth while to protest against this piece of snobbery, on the score of its being too much trouble, may be true, but there is no adequate reason, we know of, why Britain should cling to a meaningless class distinction which survives nowhere else in Europe. The top-hat as a halo-like token of respectability has lost much of its spell. Isn't it time that "Equire" should follow suit?

A Chinaman who proposed to open a lodging-house in London was summoned to attend the licensing meeting. The only English he knew was the word "license," and this he blandly repeated to all who inquired his business. At last it was decided that what he wanted was a license to drive a motor-car. This was prepared, and the Chinaman was asked to hand over 5s. Then, with the license safely in his pocket, says the "L.C.C. Staff Gazette," he went off happily, blissfully unconscious that the committee upstairs were impatiently awaiting his attendance.

Fifteen senior officers from police forces in various parts of the Empire have come to England to learn something of Scotland Yard's methods. With the approval and co-operation of the Home Secretary and the Colonial Secretary, Sir William Horwood, Chief Commissioner, has instituted a course of lectures by Scotland Yard officers, and every day, for three weeks, these Imperial visitors will receive instruction and see the police at work in the various departments. There will be a series of courses every year. It is not stated if any police from Hongkong are in attendance.

A fire engine served as a wedding coach at a volunteer fireman's wedding at Bournemouth.

Man changed at Lambeth with drunkenness. "I met a Scotsman I had not seen for two years" and he gave me a drink."

Ordinary life insurance written in Canada shows a decided increase this year so far, as compared with that of the corresponding period in 1924. The increase in March over February was from \$28,000,000 to \$35,000,000.

The beautifully wooded town of Bingley in the West Riding of Yorkshire claims ruefully to have the biggest number of unmarried women, relative to its population, of any town in the Kingdom. The following is the matter in a nutshell:

1,000 females married.  
6,500 females unmarried.  
Total 10,500.

On the other side of the ledger is: 8,500 males.

So that though the females outnumber the males by 2,000 there are 4,500 males without spouses. These include 355 widowers. Of 1,000 girls between the age of 20 and 24 only 195 are wedded, and only half of those between 25 and 29. Last year Bingley's birth rate was lower than that of any other year recorded, out of war time. Reasons advanced for this unsatisfactory state of affairs is the difficulty in getting houses and the slackness in the textile trade.

Is hanging the best method of execution? Earl Russell thinks not. The question has been discussed at a meeting of the Medical Legal Society, and "The Lancet" reports that Earl Russell thought a better method, giving less unpleasant anticipation for the victim, would be the introduction of coal gas into the prisoner's cell at night during sleep. This would be painless and not disagreeable. Lord Justice Atkin opposed this suggestion. He pointed out that if the prisoner did not know on which night he was to be poisoned he would lie awake many nights expecting death. If, however, he was forewarned he would certainly not sleep on the given night, but would be slowly suffocated while conscious. Lord Justice Atkin added that the public should feel assured that judicial hanging was painless, and that complete unconsciousness, if not death itself, was instantaneous. Sir William Wilcock agreed that it was the best method of execution, and more reliable than electrocution.

A letter from a boy asking for the provision of a sailing pond for his model yacht has been received by the Mayor of Watford.

The executive committee of the Berks County Humane Society has endorsed a movement to prohibit the use of live birds as targets in shooting matches. It plans to conduct a county campaign against the use of birds for this purpose.

Recent investigations in Genoa's archives have disclosed that the entire cost of Columbus' fleet was only 14,000 lira, or about \$5,600. The expenditures on the trip to America amounted to 22,000 lira more, bringing the total cost up to about \$14,400. Columbus' annual salary was 1,600 lira, about \$640. The captains received half this amount and the monthly pay of seamen was \$5.

In two parts of the British Isles, Eastbourne and Dublin, there has been observed from time to time a particularly vicious ant known as "The Argentine Ant," which in its native region attacks small chickens, bees, and small birds, which it consumes, and has even been known to attack and kill children, subsequently eating their flesh.

Rubber corsets are being banned by the medical profession. "Rubber corsets transgress every principle of modern clothing interfere seriously with the functions of the skin, which must be kept at a high level if we are to be healthy and last, but not least, are most uncleanly." This is the verdict of Dr. R. King Brown, chairman of the executive council of the Institute of Hygiene and lecturer on public health at Guy's Hospital.

People who contemplate retiring to Great Britain in the near future may be interested to know what income tax they will have to pay. For a married couple without children the figures for an unearned income are:—

Income.	Amount.
£ 250	£ s.
300	2 0
350	7 10
400	12 1
450	17 10
500	22 10
600	32 10
700	42 10
800	52 10
900	62 10
1,000	72 10
1,250	102 10
1,500	132 10

If there are children the amounts would be a little less.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. A. W. Anderson and family left for Japan by the President Jackson on Sunday. Mr. Anderson has been in charge of the U. S. Shipping Board branch here for some time.

The following are passengers for Hongkong on the Kashgar which left London on the 5th instant:—Mr. N. S. Ellis, Mr. T. E. Forster, Mr. W. D. Woods, Mrs. Woods, Miss O. S. Adam, and Mr. D. Cameton.

Sir Robert Ho Tung paid a visit to the Chancellor of the Exchequer at 11, Downing Street, on May 15. While the Chancellor was receiving a deputation on silk at the Treasury, Sir Robert, in splendid silk robes, arrived on other business and the pictorial papers snapped him in a particularly happy mood. Mr. Lloyd George received Sir Robert on the same day.

The following are scheduled to leave London for Hongkong on October 16, by the Mores. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. H. Beavis, Mrs. Baleau, Mrs. A. Bush, Mrs. A. H. Barlow, Mrs. Cousland, Mrs. Cousland, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Claxton, Mrs. L. Chiverix, Mrs. Treuch, Mrs. N. Comrie, Mrs. R. C. Comrie, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Cuthill, Mr. and Mrs. P. Durrmond, Mr. H. B. L. Dowbiggin, Mr. G. B. A. Dibble, Mrs. A. G. M. Fletcher, Mr. G. S. Glen, Mr. Gregory, Mrs. Gregory and two children, Major L. Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. Greig, and infant, Mr. E. Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Hedley, Miss Hedley, Mr. and Mrs. Hoare and child, Capt. P. Jowitt, Mrs. Jowitt, Mrs. N. R. Jarrett, child and infant, Mrs. Kent and child, Capt. A. Kellman, Mrs. Kellman, Mrs. A. O. Lang, Mrs. W. G. Lay, Mrs. A. S. MacKichan, children and nurse, Mrs. A. Main, Mr. J. O. McLagann, Mrs. A. Main, Mrs. D. Purcell, Miss P. Miss L. M. Simms, Mrs. R. K. Pyne, Mr. C. H. Robson, Mrs. Robson, The Hon. Lady Reid, Mrs. Reid, Miss Reid, and child.

K. H. Tan (Hongkong and Middlesex) was licensed to practise by the Royal College of Physicians on May 14.

The following passengers are scheduled to leave London for Hongkong on the Narkunda on July 17:—Mrs. W. Blackford, Mr. J. A. Dickie, Mrs. Dickie, Mr. T. C. Malcolm, Mrs. Malcolm, Mr. H. Merriman, and Mrs. Merriman.

The following left London for Hongkong on the Mantua on May 22:—Mr. E. H. Graham, Rev. A. J. Hutchinson, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mr. R. N. Harvey, Mr. G. E. L. Johnson, Mr. G. R. Murray, Mr. J. O'Callaghan, Mr. L. H. Saint, Mrs. Saint, Vice-Admiral Sir Edwyn S. Sinclair K.C.B., M.V.O., and Secretary to the Vice-Admiral.

The following weddings are announced.—Mr. Charles Gaston Barbery, of the Hongkong Engineering and Construction Company, to Miss Henry-Frida Will of No. 12 Nathan Road, Kowloon; Mr. William Crawford Newhem, missionary, of Wuchow, to Miss I. Aber, also a missionary of Wuchow, Mr. Manne Otellus Mattison, to Miss Paraskovia Venedicta Shmakova, both of the Victoria Hotel, Shameen.

The following are scheduled to leave London for Hongkong on the Mantua on September 11:—Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Bunje, and child, Mr. H. O. Brown, Mrs. Brown infant and child, Miss Bunje, Mr. L. A. Cossart, Mrs. Cossart, Mr. J. S. Canney, Mr. J. G. Charlton, Mrs. Charlton, Rev. C. D. Cousins, Mr. J. W. Coles, Mr. A. Dreyer, Miss F. S. Dupuy, Mrs. J. F. Ewing and child, Hon. Mr. Justice Gompertz, Mrs. H. E. Gompertz, Mr. W. G. Gerrard, Mrs. A. H. Gillingham, infant and nurse, Mr. and Mrs. Guy, Mr. W. B. Lightbourn, Mrs. Lightbourn, child and infant, Mrs. J. M. Lecky, Mr. J. W. Lee, Mr. D. MacCrae, Mrs. MacCrae, Mrs. Moncrieff and infant, Miss Manson, Dr. R. H. Mansford, Mr. S. Thomson, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Wright, and child.

Mr. A. Carpi is a passenger on the s.s. Empress of Asia to Manila.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bagley are due to sail by the Khiva for Hongkong on July 31.

Professor J. W. N. Smith of the university is credited with a desire to produce "Hassan."

Passengers arriving by the Empress of Asia yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Carroll, Mrs. G. and Miss Grimble and Captain R. F. Walker.

Hongkong is favourably mentioned by the tourists of the Empress of France as will be seen by the following extract from ship's newspaper left at Honolulu:—

"The 'most beautiful' island, Oahu; city, Honolulu; country, Italy; harbour, Hongkong; view, the Pali; drive, Repulse Bay and Hongkong Peak; street, Cryptomeria Avenue, Nikko; edifice, Taj Mahal; temple, Ieyasu, Nikko; Hotel Majestic, Shanghai; mountain, Fujiyama, Japan; stream, Nile; ladies, Singhalese, Ceylon."

Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung arrived in London on April 25, and awaited the arrival of the s.s. Theusus, which brought the Chinese staff and silkworm workers. Although the appliances and materials for the silkworm exhibit duly arrived in London on April 29, in spite of repeated enquiries these were not delivered at Wembley until the afternoon of May 7, in other words, about one day and a quarter before the opening of the Exhibition. This unexpected and intensely disappointing delay actually threw much extra work upon Lady Ho Tung. She spent several days at Wembley, sleeping for seven nights in a hut in the Exhibition grounds, much to the amusement of the public.

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## HOME OFFICE SECRETS.

## GEORGE III AND A PETITIONER.

No higher authority than Sir Edward Troup, who was Permanent Under-Secretary of State in the Home Office from 1908 to 1922, could have been found to write, for the first time, an account of the history, duties, and organisation of the Home Office.

The duties of the Home Secretary are very various.

The Home Secretary is in the position, as it were, of a residuary legatee: all that is not assigned by law or established custom to some other Minister falls to him.

All addresses to the King by public bodies are first submitted to the Home Office and are examined to see that they are a proper order.

The replies to these addresses are drafted in the Home Office, sometimes with a previous indication from the King as to what he desires to say.

The drafts are always submitted personally to his Majesty and are not infrequently altered by him.

Petitions to the King pass through the Home Office. The following account of what happened to a high-born petitioner is amusing:

In 1774 the impoverished Duke of St. Albans presented a petition asking for a pension adequate to his rank. The usual form of negative reply to a petition is that "The Secretary of State regrets that he has been unable to advise his Majesty to issue any commands."

But in this case there is a refreshing variation from the usual terms: "The Secretary of State writes: 'I have obeyed your grace's commands by presenting your memorial to the King. His Majesty (George III) put it in his pocket without expressing His Pleasure one way or the other on the occasion.'"

Many formalities and ceremonies attend the appointment of a modern bishop.

They stand in striking contrast to the simplicity of the ancient method of handing over the pastoral staff and ring to the new bishop, and even to the Secretary of State's own appointment, which is completed in five seconds by the King's placing three seals in his hands.

Such questions as the use of troops in civil disturbances, the prerogative of mercy, the administration of justice, police organisation, prisons, and so forth are authoritatively dealt with.

The Criminal Lunatic Asylum at Broadmoor is under the direct control and administration of the Home Office aided by a local board of supervision.

The Superintendent of Broadmoor occupies, perhaps, the most dangerous post in the Civil Service. Every lunatic believes the Superintendent to be responsible for his continued detention, and within the last 40 years two have received permanent injuries from attacks by inmates who appeared to have recovered their sanity, and two have retired worn out with the anxieties of their position.

The power to put first offenders on probation is one which appears not yet to be fully made use of.

If in Kent 5½ per cent. of cases tried summarily are put on probation, why should Bedfordshire and Cambridgeshire put on probation less than one fifth per cent. and Monmouthshire none? If 75 is the proper proportion for Birkenhead, why is it only 18 in Liverpool?

The staff of the Home Office is 76. This figure does not include clerical staff.

## HIS OWN INVENTION.

## DENTIST'S FATAL GAS EXPERIMENT.

A verdict of Death by Misadventure was returned at an inquest on Walter John Moylan-Jones, 51, a dental anaesthetist, who was found dead in his consulting-room at Weibek-street, Marylebone, W., after experimenting with a gas apparatus.

The widow stated that some years ago her husband invented the Moylan-Jones apparatus for administering nitrous oxide as an anaesthetic. He had given demonstrations all over the country and was always trying to improve it.

Dr. Spurgin said that Mr. Moylan-Jones was found dead in a reclining position on an ottoman.

Part of the apparatus was on the floor between his legs and his foot was resting on the sparker controlling one of the gas cylinders. Death was due to coma following nitrous oxide gas poisoning.

Cylinders in the room were empty of nitrous oxide gas, the stop-cocks being open. Two cylinders had contained 200 gallons each, and two smaller ones 100 gallons.

The coroner said he was satisfied Mr. Moylan-Jones met his death while experimenting.

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## PROUD BARCELONA.

## GREAT CITY THAT IGNORES TOURISTS.

English people travelling abroad may be divided roughly into two classes, writes a "Daily Mail" correspondent. There are those who look always for English tea-rooms, shops where English tobacco may be bought, and hotels where the servants speak fluent English. And there are those who seek some city which rejoices in its insularity, making no appeal to the foreigner, preserving its native quality with superb indifference.

There are few such cities of any size in Europe. It is the lament of the sophisticated traveller that little lonely villages in Italy made famous by saints have become Anglicised; that as much English as French is spoken in Paris; that if you dine in Prague a perceptive waiter decorates your table with a miniature Union Jack.

But of the great modern cities of Europe there is one that retains its pride of birth, making no feverish effort to capture the interest of foreigners. The city is Barcelona.

In the shopping streets which I have studied in Barcelona there is no intimation that "English is spoken here." The shoeblacks who surround you when you take your morning aperitif address you in Spanish. Your waiter knows little French and is puzzled if you speak your own language.

Past offices are hidden. It may be days before you discover that to post a letter you look for the little secret box inside a tobacconist's shop. You are not pestered with beggars, and cab-drivers do not approach you with an offer to show you "the sights."

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John Stevens, former Chief Engineer of the Panama Canal, has been given the John Fritz Gold Medal, the highest honour bestowed in the United States by the profession, for his achievements as an engineer, "particularly in his work at the Panama Canal." Centred Mr. Charles F. Rand, Chairman of the Board of Engineering Societies presenting the medal to Mr. Stevens. The presentation was made at the Engineering Societies' Building.

## TRIP TO ASIA.

## SEARCH FOR LONG-HAIRED TIGER.

Mr. George Kruck Cherrie, who is managing the Roosevelt exploration and hunting trip to Central Asia, arrived at Karachi early this month.

Interviewed by an Associated Press representative, he said he would remain in Karachi about four days before proceeding to Srinagar, where he would meet the Roosevelt brothers. No definite plan of campaign could be arranged till Srinagar was reached as the nature of the country to be traversed was practically unknown.

There might also be some difficulty regarding porters. The expedition was being organised on behalf of the Chicago Field Museum and was financed largely by public subscription, in which Mr. James Simpson of Messrs. Marshall Field Company was prominent. On arrival at Srinagar, the expedition party will resort to ponies, yaks and Bactrian camels as modes of transport to proceed through the northern passes into Eastern Turkestan.

Later on in the year the party would attempt penetration into the Himalayan river jungles in search of the long-haired tiger and other rare specimens of animals and birds of choicest specimens. The expedition hoped to capture the Ovis Poli, which lives at a height of from 16,000 to 17,000 feet in blitery cold temperature. The Ovis Poli was first discovered by Marco Polo several centuries ago and has since been thought to be a myth until last year a British officer confirmed its existence near the Thian Shan Mountain. Specimens have been known to weigh 250 pounds and have curled horns measuring 71 inches.

Although in his 60th year Mr. Cherrie looked the picture of health and was exceedingly enthusiastic at the prospects of the great adventure.

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## CHILD IN CHAINS.

## AMAZING SINGAPORE STORY.

The Sepoy Lines police were called last week to a Chinese house in Singapore where they found a 12-year old child hidden under a bed with her feet fastened with a dog-chain.

A Chinese woman was arrested and charged in the Third Police Court with placing the child under unlawful restraint. Acting Court Inspector Smith asked for the maximum amount of bail, stating that the Chinese Protectorate took a serious view of the case. An adjournment of one week was allowed.

The child told an amazing story to the police. She stated that she was kidnapped in Swatow ten weeks ago, sold as a servant in Singapore, and she had passed through five different houses before she was eventually taken over by the police.

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## THE COLONY'S HIGHER RATEABLE VALUE.

By Order of the Governor in Council a new valuation of the whole Colony has been made and the rateable value has thereby been increased from \$22,147,951 to \$27,287,862 an addition of \$5,139,911 or 23.20 per cent.

The following table gives a comparison of the assessments for 1924-1925 and 1925-1926:—

District.	Valuation 1924.	Valuation 1925.
The City of Victoria .....	\$16,729,945	\$16,729,945
Hill District .....	440,306	493,290
Shaukiwan, Saiwanho, and Quarry Bay .....	493,290	576,425
Hongkong Villages .....	576,425	1,510,024
Kowloon Point .....	1,020,010	1,020,010
Yau-mat .....	575,890	575,890
Mongkok .....	534,570	534,570
Hungshom and Hokun .....	177,319	177,319
Kowloon Villages .....	493,143	3,907,982
New Territories .....	.....	.....
Total .....	\$.....	\$22,147,951

District.	Valuation 1925.	Valuation 1926.	Increase.	Pct.
The City of Victoria .....	\$19,614,584	\$19,614,584	\$2,884,639	17.24%
Hill District .....	483,735	.....	.....	.....
Shaukiwan, Saiwanho, and Quarry Bay .....	601,115	.....	.....	.....
Hongkong Villages .....	890,429	1,975,279	465,255	30.81%
Kowloon Point .....	1,451,326	.....	.....	.....
Yau-mat .....	1,613,150	.....	.....	.....
Mongkok .....	1,047,910	.....	.....	.....
Hungshom and Hokun .....	629,220	.....	.....	.....
Kowloon Villages .....	209,720	.....	.....	.....
New Territories .....	746,673	.....	.....	.....
Total .....	\$.....	\$27,287,862	\$5,139,911	23.20%

The number of tenements reported to be vacant averaged about 185 monthly, as compared with 104 last year.

During the year ending May 15, 1925, 3,467 interim valuations were made as follows:—

	No.	Rateable Value.	No.	Rateable Value.
New or rebuilt tenements and tenements structurally altered.	872	\$2,871,660	1,567	\$1,734,610
Assessments cancelled, tenements resumed, pulled down or being in other respects not rateable.	594	834,250	434	168,677
Number and increase .....	1,466	\$2,037,410	2,001	\$1,903,287

The following comparative statement shows the rateable value of the Colony in each of the ten years from 1916-1917 to 1925-1926 inclusive:—

Year.	Rateable Value.	Increase as compared with previous year.	Decrease as compared with previous year.	Percentage of Increase or Decrease in Rateable Value as compared with previous year.
1916-17 .....	\$14,282,186	.....	\$5,095	0.03% Decrease.
1917-18 .....	14,410,153	\$127,967	.....	0.89% Increase.
1918-19 .....	15,638,736	1,228,583	.....	8.52% ..
1919-20 .....	16,390,801	752,065	.....	4.25% ..
1920-21 .....	17,408,959	1,018,158	.....	6.77% ..
1921-22 .....	18,596,660	1,187,701	.....	7.40% ..
1922-23 .....	19,805,929	1,209,269	.....	5.91% ..
1923-24 .....	21,059,700	1,253,771	.....	6.33% ..
1924-25 .....	22,147,951	1,088,251	.....	5.16% ..
1925-26 .....	27,287,862	5,139,911	.....	23.20% ..

In the ten years 1916-1917 to 1925-1926 the rateable value of the Colony has increased by \$13,005,676 or 91.06 per cent.

## ANZAC DAY.

## SIR I. HAMILTON'S SENSATIONAL DISCLOSURE.

The annual dinner of the 29th Division was held at the Café Royal on April 25. General Sir Ian Hamilton, who commanded the original Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, to which the 29th belonged when they made their famous landing on Gallipoli, was the guest of honour. In the course of his speech he expressed his desire to say one thing which had never in any shape or form been said before. They would not find it even in the suppressed parts of the evidence of the Dardanelles Commission, or in the secret memoirs, or indeed, anywhere else, for it had been a one man's secret—he had always kept it buried deep.

"What I have to tell you is," he said, "that there was a brief period towards the end of March and the beginning of April, 1915, when I did really begin to waver in my mind as to whether Von der Goltz was not right in saying that a landing was a sheer impossibility. During this period the Egyptian Press kept on giving the most clear and specific detail as to arrivals of troops and material, together with specific statements that they were bound for the Dardanelles, and in reply to my remonstrances, I was informed by the responsible civil authority that Egypt was not at war, and that it was beyond our power, therefore, to restrain the Egyptian Press from advertising anything it liked. Secrecy is the essence of military success, and, most of all, secrecy in regard to landing. In our case everyone had been fully informed of everything from England. At luncheon at the Abdin Palace the Sultan discussed the 'landing on Gallipoli' with me quite openly before courtiers and servants. There was never, in fact, from first to last the semblance even of keeping our destination confidential, although, of course, the actual spots selected were still my secret. Well, do you know what finally made me steel my heart to carry on? My inspection of the 29th Division."

An extraordinary invention for the manufacture of buttons and vulcanite and ebonite articles from blood figured in a case which came before the King's Bench Division recently.

The plaintiff was Mr. Richard Tudor Owen, an engineer, of Lancaster-gate, and he sued Messrs. Johnson, Matthey, and Co., Ltd., and Mr. Frederick William Vesey Fitzgerald, of Caversham, Reading, trading as Samsomoid at Hatton Garden, claiming damages for alleged wrongful dismissal, arrears of salary, and expenses.

Mr. Hurst, for the plaintiff, said his client complained of a breach by the defendants of an agreement to employ him for five years from Nov. 1, 1920, to Oct. 31, 1925. He was an engineer of experience, who worked as the chief technical assistant of the defendants for two and a half years of that period, when, for some reason known to themselves, they suddenly put an end to the employment. They alleged that "they were justified in their action because they discovered, they said, that Mr. Owen was incompetent. The first defendants were metallurgists, and Mr. Fitzgerald had been concerned with a large number of inventions. Mr. Fitzgerald had applied for protection for an invention for the manufacture of a cheap substitute for such things as were usually made of horn, ebonite, and vulcanite, buttons, gramophone records, linoleum, and floorcloth. These were some of the articles which he designed to manufacture by his process, and his notion was to make them out of nothing less gruesome than blood.

Mr. Hurst explained that the blood required for the invention could be obtained cheaply from slaughter-houses. It would then be placed into the dehydrating plant to absorb the moisture. When reduced by that process to the consistency of paint it was reduced to a powder by a vacuum dryer. Then presses and moulds were used to produce the article in the shape required. The substance when finished was known as "Samsomoid."

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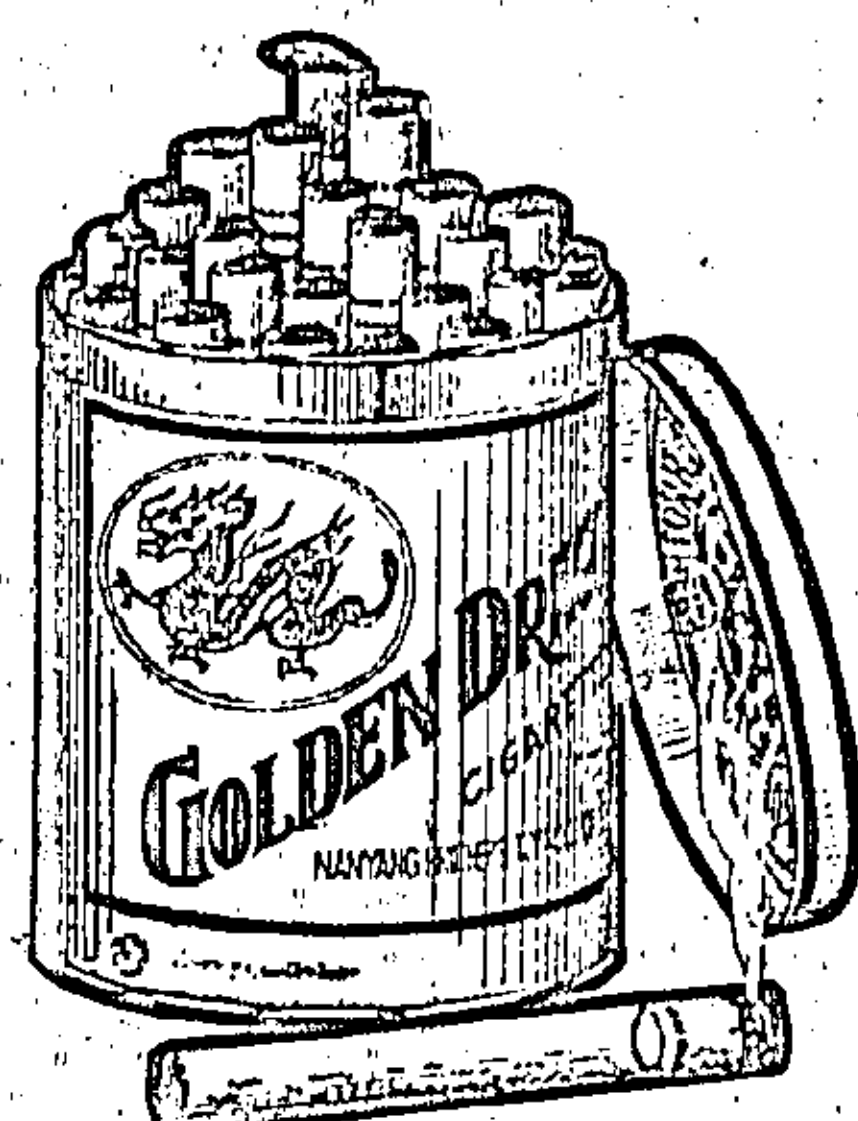




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### BARON SEEKS JOB AS COOK.



Once worth millions Baron Volkoff (inset) has been so reduced by the Bolshevik regime that he must seek a position as cook to support his two daughters.

### Real Movie Plot.



Miss Justine Valse, above, called "Pola Negri's double" was arrested as a material witness by authorities investigating an alleged attempt to blackmail the film star by means of compromising fake photographs.

### "CAL" THAWS FOR LITTLE GIRL.



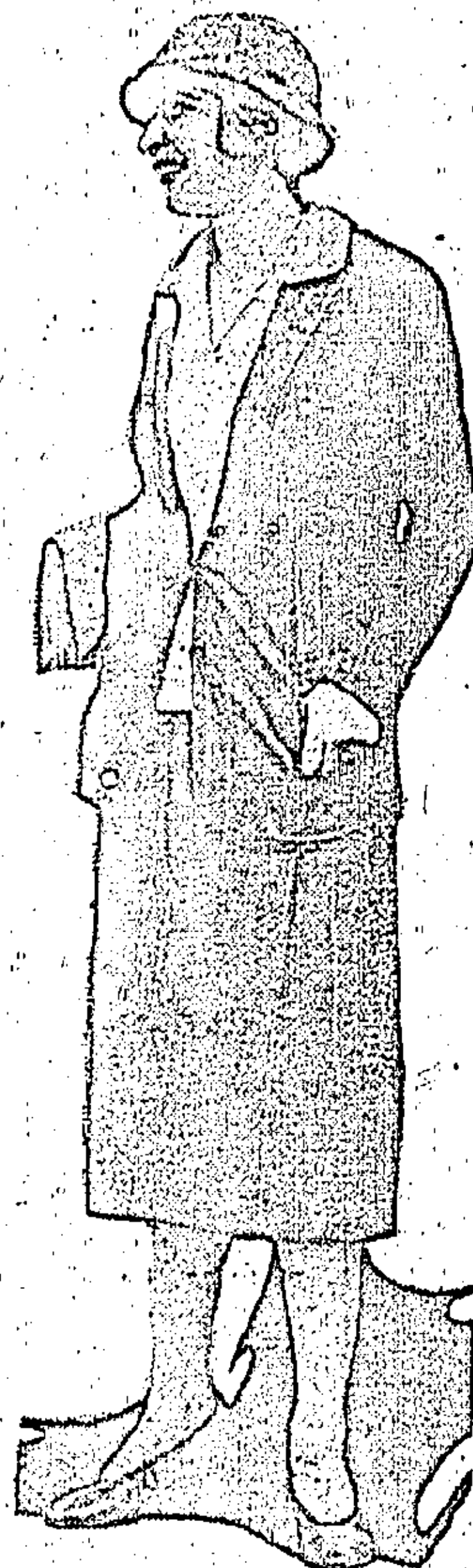
America's President warmed considerably and smiled with a seldom equalled kindness when little Lillian Shaffer nestled in his arms to pin a poppy on his lapel, after he had endorsed the annual poppy drive for disabled soldiers.

### CHUMMY WIVES LOVE BIGAMIST.



While Jack Seldow is serving a sentence for bigamy, two of his wives, Mrs. Augusta Redenbach Moncho and Mrs. Woodson Seldow, are living together, the best of friends. Both say they still love their mutual husband, but that they hate all other men. The latter statement was inspired by the receipt of numerous letters proposing marriage.

### "Gagged."



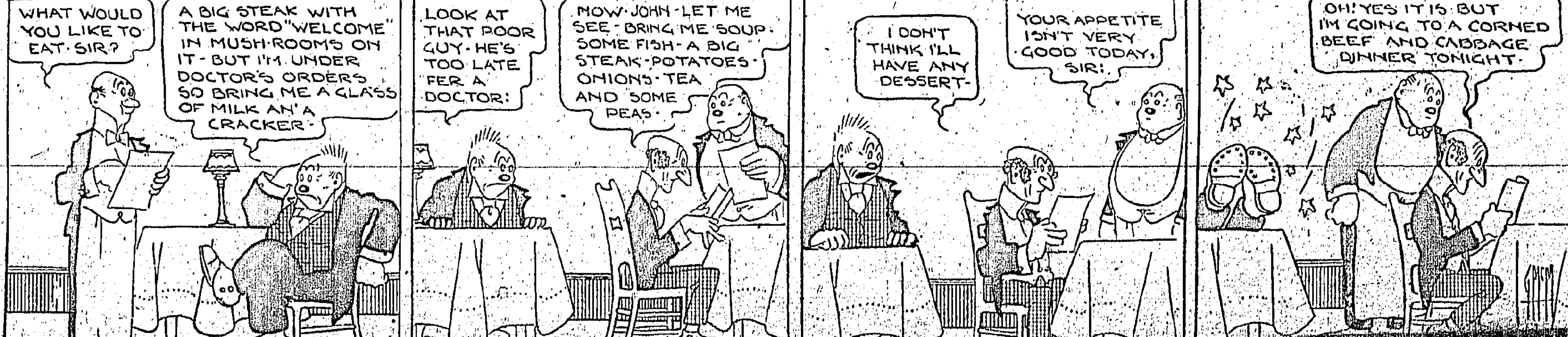
Unable to get the United States Government to remove it "gag" on the political speeches of her husband, former President of Hungary, Countess Karolyi, accompanied him to Canada, where his utterances were not censored.

### PEOPLE IN THE WORLD'S NEWS.



Clarence Darrow, noted criminal lawyer, who obtained life sentences for Loeb and Leopold when the two young scientific murderers were expected to hang, has been employed to aid in the defence of William D. Shepherd, accused of poisoning William McClintock with germs. Major-General Robert L. Bullard, retired as commander of the Second Corps Area, was stricken with congestion of the lungs. President Calles of Mexico was the subject of an assassination plot engineered by Senorita Maria Luisa Jauregui of Mexico City, who was sent to an asylum after she had confessed her intentions. Margot Asquith, whose frank writings concerning political life have brought her considerable publicity and money, publicly apologized to the former Premier Mr. Lloyd George for statements concerning him.

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